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ATROCIOUS CRIME.

BRITISH OFFICER'S WIFE KILLED.

LAHORE SHOCKED.

TWO LITTLE GIRLS WOUNDED.

Laure, Jan. 13.

A murderous attack upon the family of a British Army officer by an apparently crazed Sikh has shocked the European community in Lahore.

Yelling, "I am a Congress Wallah, I am going to kill the General," the Sikh, who was armed with a sword, rushed into the bungalow occupied by Captain Curtis, of the Indian Army Service Corps, and attacked Mrs. Curtis.

One blow struck and severed her left arm. The Sikh then broke her right wrist and knocked her down, leaving her unconscious.

The assailant turned his attention on the two children of Captain and Mrs. Curtis, Monica aged six, and Sheila, aged seven.

He had wounded them both before he was effectively restrained.

Mrs. Curtis died of her injuries soon after her admission to hospital, but the children are reported to be making satisfactory progress.

Captain Curtis's servants managed to secure the Sikh who was recently released from prison after serving a term of six months imprisonment for his activities in connexion with the Congress movement.—*Reuter*.

ALLEGED PIRATES IN COURT.

HEARING TO BEGIN ON FRIDAY.

Twelve Hakkas and Hoklos who were taken off two junks by blue-jackets from H.M.S. *Somme* off Pedro Blanco a fortnight ago, in circumstances which the authorities allege suggest an attempt at piracy, were brought on remand before Mr. Lindell at the Central Magistrate's this morning.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., asked for Friday afternoon to be set aside for the hearing of the case, stating that the evidence to be produced would be that of the crew of the junk which it was alleged, was being pursued.

Replying to a query from the Bench, Mr. Murphy said there were no visible marks of bullets or shells on the word or hull of the junk. Regarding holes in the sails, he said that it was difficult to say whether they were caused by bullets, in view of their tattered condition.

The accused were accordingly remanded.

SMALL FIRES IN KOWLOON.

OUTBREAKS LAST NIGHT IN KOWLOON.

Two small fires broke out in Kowloon last night, one at Cheung Sha Wan at about 7.30 o'clock, when an outbreak was noticed in the Kwong Fuk Cheung shipyard. Three appliances were dispatched and the blaze soon extinguished. No damage was done.

The second fire occurred at about midnight in a house in Woosung Street. A spark from the chimney ignited some rubbish on the cook house roof and caused a small blaze. The Fire Brigade was summoned and quickly put out the blaze.

FINE WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has weakened. It remains central over the Lower Yangtze Valley. Strong monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea. The local forecast is:—North winds, strong; fine.

LLOYD'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

FALLING OFF IN BRITISH CONSTRUCTION.

DECEMBER FIGURES.

London, Jan. 13.

Lloyd's shipbuilding returns, issued today, show that world construction of new vessels during the quarter ended December 31, 1930 (excluding Russia, from which no returns are available) totalled 2,325,085 tons.

Thirty nine point one per cent. of this total was being built in Great Britain and 60.9 per cent. abroad.

One hundred and eighty-one vessels, representing 908,802 tons, were being constructed in Britain, which was 207,844 tons less than at the end of the quarter, September 30, 1930, and 651,352 tons less than at the end of the quarter December 31, 1929. Britain is still building nearly four times as much as any other country.

Of the 1,417,184 tons being constructed abroad, the United States was building 232,030 tons, Germany, 218,215 tons, Italy, 179,677 tons, France, 174,215 tons, and Holland 160,978 tons.

The bulk of Norwegian tonnage was under construction in British yards. The world tonnage of motor-ships is given at 1,332,709 tons, and tanker tonnage at 907,298 tons. Seven vessels of 17,200 tons are being built in Britain for the Dominions.—*Reuter*.

CHINA NEW YEAR FAIR.

ON PRAYA RECLAMATION THIS YEAR.

The decision was confirmed by the police authorities today that the Chinese New Year Fair, which for years past has had its venue in the quarter known as Nam Pak Hong, will this year be shifted to the Praya East Reclamation.

The decision was taken after careful consideration of the question presented by the increase of vehicle traffic in Queen's Road West, assuming the nature of a problem in the locality. Centring around the new Central Theatre. Not without some regret will residents, who look forward to the experience of jostling with others of the dense but happy crowds that usually swirl through the bazaar, receive the official decision. In its new venue, the Fair will, as it were, have more elbow-room, as its proposed lay-out will occupy a spacious lot bounded by Hennessey and Johnston Roads, and there will be room for all who care to share in the business accruing from the occasion.

Autre temps, autres mœurs, and with the gradual change-over to the European calendar, a police official, interviewed on the subject, declares that the Fair, age-old as it is, will adjust itself to the new conditions.

GERMAN SHIPPING REPORTS.

PAYING BONUS BUT NO DIVIDEND.

Hamburg, Jan. 13.

The newspapers state that the Hamburg-Amerika and the North German Lloyd shipping companies have decided not to pay a dividend this year.

The companies will, however, distribute a bonus of six per cent. derived from the sums released by the United States on account of shipping property requisitioned during the war.—*Reuter*.

SUFFERERS IN U.S. DROUGHT AREAS.

PRESIDENT APPEALS FOR PUBLIC AID.

Washington, Jan. 13.

President Hoover has issued an appeal for public subscriptions to the relief of distress in the rural states where there are many sufferers from the severe drought of the autumn.

The President asks the public to contribute at least \$10,000,000 for this purpose.—*Reuter's American Service*.

UNEASINESS AMONG MOSLEMS.

COMMUNAL DIFFERENCE BARS PROGRESS.

FEDERAL STRUCTURE SCHEME RESERVATIONS.

CONSERVATIVE VIEWS.

MOSLEM nervousness in the absence of a settlement with the Hindus is blocking progress at the Round Table Conference and several reservations have been made to the report of the Federal Structure Committee's Report. Conference circles are still hopeful, however, believing that the appearance of an attractive Constitution may influence conciliation between the communities.

The views of the Conservative Party on the Report, awaited with interest, indicate a doubt as to whether Imperial obligations are sufficiently safeguarded and a fear that the financial proposals are likely to impair Indian credit. They also suggest that increased Indian control of the Federal Government would be more suitable to Indian needs than those founded on British precedents.

The Moslems are sending a deputation to wait on Mr. Ramsay MacDonald asking for assurances of adequate safeguarding of their interests.

DEPUTATION TO THE PREMIER.

London, Jan. 13.

There are fresh signs of Moslem nervousness about the safeguarding of their special interests in the new Indian Constitution which the Round Table Conference is considering.

The Moslem delegates at a prolonged meeting last night decided that three of their members should seek an interview with the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, today, to press the Moslem claims and, failing a satisfactory assurance, adopt "a decided attitude of disapproval at the next plenary session of the Conference."

Their attitude at the meeting of the Federal Structure Sub-Committee today could hardly be described as helpful.

Various Reservations.

The members of the Federal Structure Sub-Committee at their final meeting discussed the draft report which the Chairman, Lord Sankey, read them yesterday. Various members made reservations, notably the Moslems, who emphasised the necessity for a minority safeguard in the Constitution, and the Conservative members of the Parliamentary Delegation, who again made clear, in a joint declaration, that they desired to see more of the picture before giving it approval.

The Indian States also made the point that they did not desire to discuss or vote in questions affecting British India alone, while, on the other hand, they did not contemplate that the question of paramountcy would come within the purview of the Federal Government.

New Paragraph.

Lord Sankey today drafted a further paragraph to add to the committee's report, noting these particular reservations, and making it quite clear that although an agreement had been reached by the majority of the committee on many important matters, there was reserved to every member the right to modify his opinion before the final picture is complete, and that this applies to British and Indian members alike.

While the continued absence of a Hindu-Moslem settlement is deplored, it is nevertheless pointed out in a settlement may be to the working of the Constitution, it need not necessarily impede the task of building the Constitution, and that the emergence of an attractive Constitution might conceivably have the effect of stimulating conciliation.

CHALLENGE TO NAZIS.

WAR DECLARED IN GERMANY.

PREMIER STUNG.

Berlin, Jan. 10.

Before leaving Rasthor on his tour through the Eastern provinces of the Reich, the Chancellor, Dr. Brüning, delivered before the local communal delegates a speech in which he unmistakably declared war on the National Socialists.

"The unscrupulous agitation of these radicals since the general elections has brought the country and its economy to the brink of ruin. For certain good reasons we have not hitherto spoken out about this. The time is, however, coming when we can talk openly about this too, and when we will ruthlessly expose the facts so as to open the eyes of the German people about these so-called leaders."

Important Declaration.

The press underlines the importance of this declaration at a time when the National Socialists are striving hard to be received into polite society, politically speaking. The Democratic paper *Berliner Zeitung am Mittag* suggests that the Chancellor may have been stung into this sharp speech by the boisterous, hissing and stone-throwing with which the mob, incited thereto by the extremists of both wings, greeted him at Oppeln, Rasthor, Neuthen, and other Silesian towns, and regard the declaration as extremely valuable as being the first open official move on the part of the government against National Socialism and its aims.

Cabinet Meetings.

The Chancellor is expected to return to Berlin in time to preside over the next Cabinet meeting at which it is understood, not only questions connected with the state of affairs in Germany's Eastern marches but a whole series of internal questions will be discussed. On Wednesday, the Foreign Minister, Dr. Brüning, will leave with the German delegation for the important meeting of the League of Nations Council and on the preceding day a special Cabinet meeting will be held for the discussion of foreign political questions.—*Trans-Ocean Kuo Min*.

WINE LABEL TRICK DISCOVERED.

LICENSEE ORDERED TO PAY FINE OF \$1,000.

On conviction of a charge alleging that labels issued by the Revenue Department were peeled off the original jars and used for the purpose of marketing a secret consignment of dutiable liquor, the Mow Yuen winery of 12, Gillespie Avenue, Hok On, was fined \$1,000 or six months' hard labour by Mr. Lindell at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd (Superintendent of Imports and Exports) was for the prosecution and Mr. Hinshing Lo defended.

The accused was charged that on December 15 he had in his possession, custody or control, 59 jars containing 236 gallons of Chinese spirits, found on a sampan at the Praya West accompanied by a pass purporting to cover the delivery of the consignment from his establishment to the Hang Yue Yuen of 367, Queen's Road, West.

SHARP AUSTRALIAN EXCHANGE DROP.

BANK OF N.S.W. AGAIN ADVANCES T.T. RATE.

Sydney, Jan. 13.

The Bank of New South Wales has again advanced the Telegraphic Transfer exchange rate with London, by £3 to £118 per cent. buying, and £118 3/8ths per cent. selling.

Other banks will follow suit. It may be recalled that the original action by the Bank of New South Wales took the Commonwealth Bank and trading banks by surprise. It was only with the greatest reluctance that they followed suit.—*Reuter*.

ALLEGED FRAUD ATTEMPT.

TRIED TO CASH DRAFTS FOUND IN STREET.

WOMAN'S GOOD LUCK.

A charge of attempting to cash two drafts for \$1,233 which he had found, thus falsely representing himself to be the authorised owner of the documents, was brought against a Shanghai Chinese, before Mr. Williams, at the Central Police Court this morning.

The defendant denied any attempt to cash the drafts, but stated that, on finding them, he had taken them to the bank to discover what they were, as he could not read English.

Detective Sergeant Macdonald told the Court that the two drafts were lost by a Chinese woman from Bangkok on Saturday morning. One belonged to her and the other to her husband. On discovering the loss on her return to the Boarding House, she was advised to report the matter to the

LOST ATLANTIC FLIERS.

FIRST NEWS OF POSSIBLE MISHAP.

SHIPPING WARNED.

New York, Jan. 14.

The Radio Company have received a message from the a.s. President Oldfield saying that the St. Miguel (Azores) wireless station has broadcast a message stating that it is understood the sea-plane "Trade Wind" fell into the sea twenty miles off St. Michael's Island, Azores, and asking for ships to keep a look-out for the machine.

The machine has been missing since Saturday and grave fears are felt for the safety of Mrs. Beryl Hart and Lieut. MacLaren, the pilots.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Bank but found the Bank of Canton had closed for the day. She, however, left a note reporting her loss.

On Monday morning, defendant appeared at the Bank of Canton and produced the two drafts, asking for payment of the money. He was requested to endorse the drafts which he did, the documents being bearer drafts. He was later handed over to the Police.

It would be given in evidence that the defendant had presented the drafts for payment at 1.20 p.m. on Saturday, an hour after they were lost, but as the Bank had closed he was told to return on Monday. Ten minutes later he went back and informed officials that he was in urgent need of the money and would accept \$200 less if the drafts were cashed on the spot. This request was also refused. He went back on Monday when he was arrested.

The hearing was adjourned.

CANCELLATION OF WAR DEBTS.

WASHINGTON GIVES HINT A FRIGID RECEPTION.

Washington, Jan. 13.

Official circles generally have accorded a very cool reception to the proposal of Mr. Albert Wiggin, the chairman of the Chase National Bank, in his annual report to shareholders, urging steps for the cancellation of war debts and declaring that the question of cancellation has an importance far beyond the dollar magnitude of the debts involved.

The reception given to the proposal at Washington is interpreted as meaning that persons associated with the Administration are still unprepared to discuss any such step.—*Reuter's American Service*.

TROOPS CUT UP IN FIERCE KIANGSI BATTLE.

KISHUI FALLS TO RED ARMY.

SEVERE BLOW TO PRESTIGE OF GOVERNMENT.

CITY TERRORISED.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.

Alarming reports of a heavy Government defeat and the capture of Kishui, within ten miles of Kianfu, by a horde of Communist bandits, who are terrorising the inhabitants, murdering the wealthier with terrible atrocities, and indulging in wholesale looting, have reached military headquarters in Nanking.

Apparently, the greater part of the Nationalist 50th Division was cut up in the engagement, being assailed by a Communist army at least 40,000 to 50,000 strong, aided by the bands under the notorious Chu Teh.

The attack on Kishui, which was defended by the 50th Division, one of the most noted in the Army, followed a defeat inflicted upon another Division at Lungkiang.

The remnants linked up with General Tan Tao-yuan's 50th Division, but the Government troops were still heavily outnumbered and supplies having been cut off by a sweeping Communist movement which controlled the road to Nanchang, Kishui fell into Red hands on Monday.

Heavy Losses.

General Tan Tao-yuan himself had a narrow escape from capture, remaining at Kishui until the Reds beat down the last resistance.

His troops fought with the greatest bravery, and lost, it is stated, over 2,000 men killed.

With the remaining troops, General Tan retired on Changshu, intending to join up with another National Division under General Chan Kwang-chun, preparatory to a counter-attack. Meanwhile the 61st (Kwangtung) Division has arrived at Ningtu, awaiting the arrival of the 60th Division before joining in the attack of Kishui.

The severe blow to Nationalist prestige has caused the Nanking Military Headquarters to issue orders for four more Divisions to leave for Kiangsi at once, and they are to concentrate at Changshu.

General Sun Lin-ching has been summoned before Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Nanking, and it is understood that he will be given command of another large contingent of troops to be sent to Kiangsi.

It is pointed out that Government troops are operating under the greatest handicaps in southern Kiangsi, as the lack of communications prevents steady supplies of ammunition.

Threat to Ichang.

Simultaneously with the recrudescence of Red activity in Kiangsi, disturbing news has been received from Ichang stating that Communist bandits have occupied towns on the Yangtze near Ichang, the leading commercial town in Western Hupeh.

Although there is no immediate alarm for the safety of Ichang, the change in the situation in this part of Hupeh is affecting the anti-bandit expedition near Hankow, requiring the despatch of troops to Ichang.

Severe winter weather in Hupeh is affecting the organisation of big scale operation against the Communists. The Nanking Naval Department has ordered two gunboats to leave for Ichang.

MATCH MONOPOLY IN MANCHURIA.

ORGANISATION COMPLETE FOR WHOLE COUNTRY.

Mukden, Jan. 14.

The organisation of a combine for the control of the manufacture and sale of matches throughout Manchuria has now been completed.—*Reuter*.

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THE BOY SCOUTS.

GOVERNOR TO ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING.

It is announced that His Excellency the Governor will attend the annual meeting of the Boy Scout's Association to be held at 5 p.m. this evening in St. John's Cathedral Hall.

The Annual Report.

The following are extracts from the Association's annual report, which reviews in detail the activities of the year:

In spite of certain unforeseen changes in the organisation made during the year, we are glad to be able to report considerable progress in several directions. The number of boys receiving training in the Movement has increased, Salwan is beginning to justify its existence as a Training Centre, the Colony has been divided into two District Associations with distinct advantage to the oversight of the Groups, and there seems to be fuller and keener realisation of the open-air essence of Scouting.

Opening of Salwan Camp.—From a Scout point of view the formal opening of Salwan Camp by Mrs. W. T. Southern, Colony Commissioner of the Girl Guides, was the most important event of the year. The Rev. N. V. Howard has been appointed Assistant Commissioner for Training and will be helped by Mr. S. A. Sweet who until recently assisted in similar work in Northumberland. While on home leave two members of the Association completed their Wood Badge Courses and there are now seven Scouters in the Colony holding that coveted mark of having successfully passed the requirements of a Scout Officers' Training Course.

District Associations.—As has been already stated, the Colony has now been divided for Scout Administrative purposes into two District Associations, Hongkong and Kowloon. This will relieve the Headquarters Staff and the Council of much detail work in connexion with the actual running of the Groups, setting them free to direct the general policy of the Branch, and its finances, and also to act as a connecting link between the Districts and Imperial Headquarters. For a little time there is bound to be a certain amount of adjustment, until the respective responsibilities of the Council and the District Associations have been ascertained in the best way to ensure successful and easy working, but already Headquarters has benefited by the relief afforded by the Kowloon Association. The Districts will however leave the raising of funds and the control thereof to the Council, in order to avoid overlapping. The Rev. E. A. Armstrong has been appointed District Commissioner for Kowloon, and his local Committee is already in being.

Wolf Cubs.

Growth in numbers has been strong, not in this junior branch of the Movement, the numbers at the beginning and end of the year being 89 and 118 respectively, showing an increase of 29 Cubs. Two new packs have come into being. It may be interesting to state that one of our keenest Cubmasters Mrs. McNeill Smith, who left a few years ago for England has just been appointed Cub Commissioner for one of the Birmingham Districts and frequently meets with Ashen the donor of the Totem Pole.

Scouts.—In actual numbers there is a decrease of 24, but this shortage is due to at least two troops having to go into temporary abeyance for lack of scoutmasters.

Rover Scouts.—These show an increase in numbers of 19. Many of the Rovers are Service men, and accordingly we are in this Branch liable to considerable fluctuation of numbers.

Deep Sea Scouts.—We have been able to welcome many Deep Sea Scouts to the Colony, mostly from among the men of H. M. Navy. This section of Scouting was designed to meet the growing desire of old scouts at sea to keep in close touch with the Movement, and members of it have already thrown themselves keenly into our local interests, doing especially excellent work at Salwan. Deep Sea Scouting is, of course, open to members of the Mercantile Marine.

Sea Scouts.—The Group of Sea Scouts has made great progress under Scoutmaster Hall. The Scout numbers have been intentionally kept within certain limits, they have increased from 22 to 30. Had there been the training staff available, this number could have been much larger. Sea Rover Scouts, however, remain there, have been increased in number. Several of the Sea Scouts have gone on into the Sea Rovers, and various friends have joined the crew from outside the Group. In common with

their brethren of the land they are still feeling their way, but are already proving their value.

Scouters at Home.—The Commissioner while on leave was able to attend two important Scout Conferences and also to discuss local affairs with Imperial Headquarters. He was present at the Commissioners' Dinner at which the Chief Scout invested with the Silver Wolf Decoration Mr. C. H. Blason until recently our Hon. Treasurer and an Assistant Commissioner. Mr. Blason is still carrying on Scouting as a Commissioner in Jersey.

Finance.

We require the sum of Sixteen Thousand Dollars to clear off the Mortgage on Salwan, but we need yet more to enable us thoroughly to put the property in good order, to install a more satisfactory water supply and sanitary system, and to erect additional rooms for storage etc. at the foot of the garden. We are very grateful to Mr. Tang Shu Kin for his great generosity in promising to pay for the equipment required for training purposes.

Silver Wolf.—We regret that for various reasons the publication of this magazine has apparently failed during the year. This is due to two causes, financial and editorial. It has been proved that the style and get-up of the magazine is more than can be expected of already hard worked Commissioners. Even a quarterly production is enough work for one man without any additional Scout responsibility, so that if anyone is willing to help us by becoming editor of our Magazine which in future will be produced in a simpler style, he will be received with open arms.

Foreign Scouts.

We are glad to have been able from time to time to welcome foreign Scouts passing through the Colony, mostly Japanese. At the time of writing this Report there are some scouts of another nationality in the Colony who have not the official Scout Introduction Passport, which would have certified their bona fides. We have strict orders from the International Scout Bureau not to recognise any so-called scouts travelling without these documents, and we take this opportunity of passing on the warning. We have recently received visits from the Chief Scout of Japan and a party of his Scouts on their way to Siam, and from the Chief Commissioner of Ceylon. We much regret that as the Chinese Scout Association in Canton has not yet complied with the requirements of the International Scout Bureau which includes the Scouts of 42 Nations we are not able officially to recognise its members there. As soon as Political Party and Military influences are divorced from Scouting in China, we shall be able to look forward to that happy time. It will add tremendously to the zest and possibilities of local Scouting. We are very glad that our connexion with the local Japanese Scouts keeps us in touch with them, and they share with us in our activities so far as is possible.

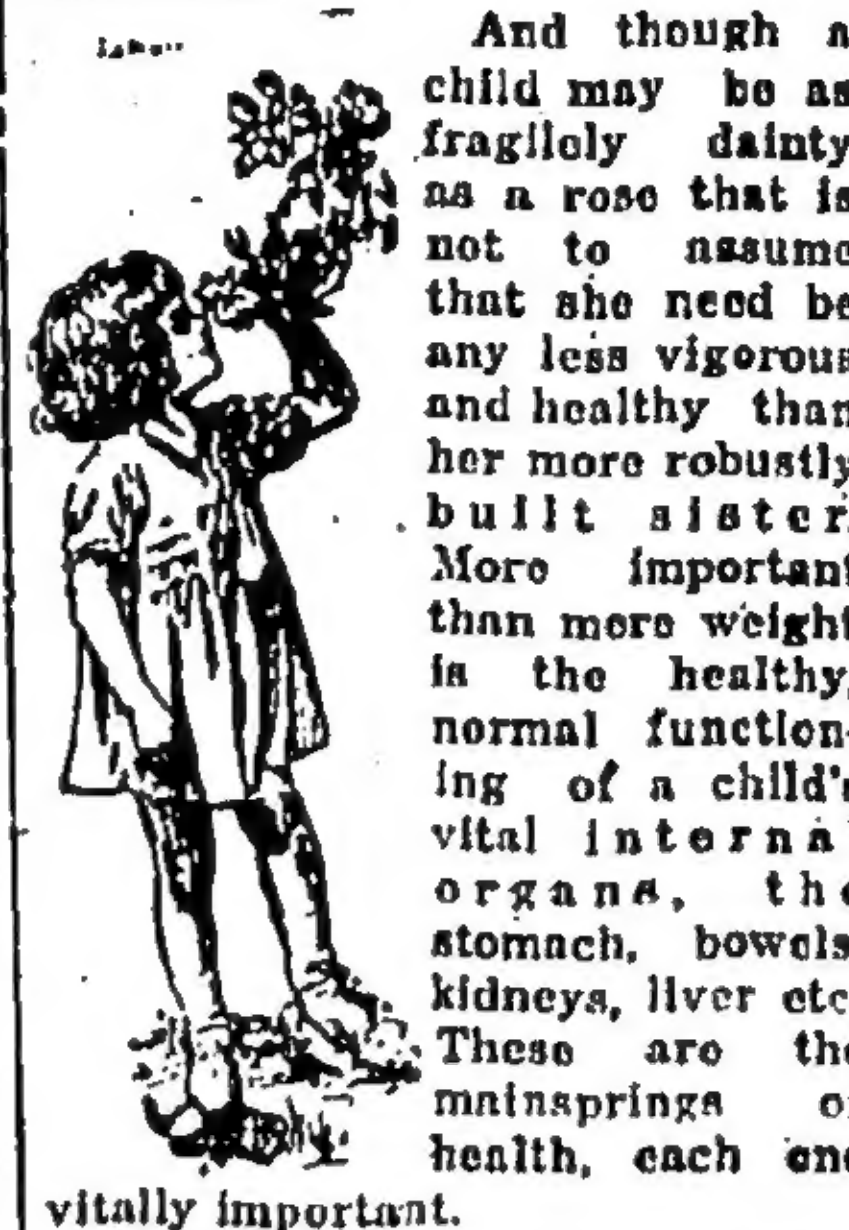
Our Future.

There is no reason why this should not be exceptionally bright, but there is one great obstacle in the way of the attainment of absolute brilliancy, and that is the lack of Scout numbers. There are a great number of men in the Colony who were Scouts in their boyhood, or who helped to run Scout Troops or Cub Packs before coming East. Many of them, we know, have their time already filled up with business, Chinese studies, H.K.V.D.C. and so on, but we often hear it said that there is nothing to do in Hongkong. Here quite definitely is something that is waiting to be done. Scouting requires just common sense, and a study of the Handbooks. The rest required comes with experience, though the system of Officers' Training makes things much easier and prevents grievous mistakes. To such old Scouts we make a special appeal for help. There are others who have not been scouts but who realise the value of the Movement, hesitate to take the plunge. To them we appeal no less urgently to "Come on in. It's jolly fine."

Accompanying the annual report are the draft regulations for internal management. Col. Francis S. G. Pigott, D.S.O., who was attached to Tokyo from 1921-26, and has been decorated by the Emperor of Japan, has joined the War Office staff as Deputy Military Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Selection Board, with the temporary rank of Brigadier. This appointment was announced last September. Col. Pigott, who is a Royal Engineer, has had considerable experience at the War Office, as he was in the department of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff in 1914 and 1920-21, and is now G.S.O.I. for military intelligence relating to the Americas, the Balkans, Italy and the East.

Sweet Dainty and Innocent Her Name is "Rose."

There always seems to be something analogous to flowers in little girls—their daintiness, their sweetness, their innocence. Perhaps that has inspired many mothers to give their girl-babies flower-names, even when the fashion in names has dictated otherwise.



And though a child may be as fragilely dainty as a rose that is not to assume that she need be any less vigorous and healthy than her more robustly built sister. More important than more weight is the healthy, normal functioning of a child's vital internal organs, the stomach, bowels, kidneys, liver etc. These are the main springs of health, each one vitally important.

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PRECAUTIONS IN CUBA.

MILITARY GUARDING THE SUGAR HARVEST.

Havana, Jan. 12.
Army planes, cruising as sky pickets and infantry with fixed bayonets are guarding the thousands of acres of sugar cane now ready to be harvested, in view of the campaign of arson which has been fixed to start on January 15. Orders have been issued to the military to shoot at sight anyone found firing the sugar cane. All the resources of the secret police are devoted to discovering the persons responsible for the plot. In Havana itself, the police have been ordered to use their weapons without hesitation or regard to sex to break up all demonstrations near the Presidential Palace, where already there have been several disturbances. In one of these, women supporters of the Government were partly stripped and publicly spanked by four women opponents.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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Valentino of Danecourt, a prize-winning Great Dane, exhibited by Miss I. G. Robinson at the Birmingham National Dog Show. (Times copyright.)



A prize-winning dog at the Birmingham National Dog Show—Mrs. B. Anthony's West Highland white terrier, Reba Romance. (Times copyright.)



Mr. L. B. Hedley's clumber spaniel, Witley Punch, which was awarded four first prizes. (Times copyright.)



Another prize-winning dog at the Birmingham National Dog Show—Mr. R. L. Kirk's golden retriever, Haulstone Dusty. (Times copyright.)



Mrs. L. Prude's Afghan hound, Marika of Baberbach, another prize-winner at the Birmingham National Dog Show. (Times copyright.)



Al Singer, the holder, being counted out after one minute and six seconds of fierce fighting for the lightweight championship of the world. Tony Canzoneri is the new champion.



Hounds moving off at Thurlough in Bedfordshire, where a meet of the Oakley Hunt took place. (Times copyright.)



Mr. Reuben Clark, new U.S. Ambassador in Mexico, being greeted on arrival by Mr. Diaz, of the Foreign Office.



A large field, part of which is shown above (left), turned out for the Christmas Hunt of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club. Right, five of the spectators at the start.



Miss Li Yao-Djen, only woman majoring in science, at the Shanghai Baptist College.



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Joint Liquidators.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1931.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 10th February, 1931 at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1930.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 23rd January, to TUESDAY, 10th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Oslo	18.10 1/2	18.10 1/2
Helsingfors	19.75	19.75
Athens	37 1/2	37 1/2
Buenos Aires	34.13 1/2	34 1/2
Shanghai	1.31 1/2	1.31 1/2
New York	1.85 1/2	1.85 1/2
Amsterdam	12.06 1/2	12.06 1/2
Stockholm	18.14 1/2	18.15
Vienna	31.51 1/2	31.52 1/2
Madrid	37.05	37.05 1/2
Bucharest	8.18	8.18
Montevideo	34 1/2	34 1/2
Hongkong	11 1/2	11 1/2
Ban Jelsa	31.82 1/2	31.82 1/2
Milan	92.75 1/2	92.74 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Prague	163 1/2	163 1/2
Rio	4.11 1/2	4.11 1/2
Yokohama	2.01 1/2	2.01 1/2
Bombay	1.75 1/2	1.75 1/2
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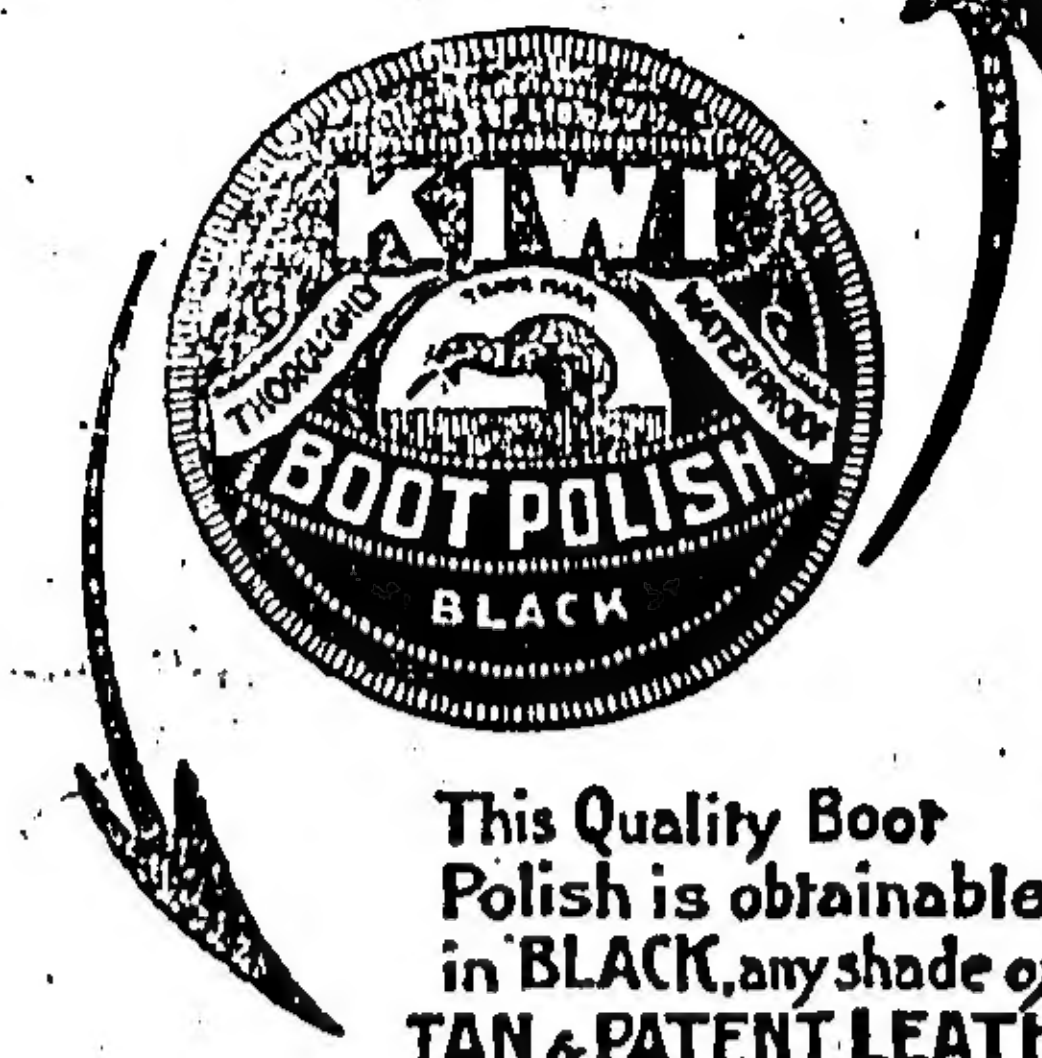
SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.	
Hongkong Bank	\$1940 s.
Chartered Bank	\$164 1/2 s.
Merchants A. & B.	\$26 s.
East Asia	\$115 s.
Insurance.	
Union Ins.	\$1,200 s.
North China Ins.	\$160 s.
China Underwriters	\$329 s.
Yantai Ins.	\$50 s.
China Fire	\$175 s.
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$1300 s.
Shipping.	
Douglases	\$284 s.
H. K. Steamships	\$31 s.
Indo-China (Def.)	\$27 s.
Union Waterways	\$39 s.
Mining.	
Benmore	\$11 s.
Railway	30 s.
Shai Explorations	\$1 s.
Ranks	\$403 s.
Docks, etc.	
Kowloon Wharves	\$173 s.
Whampoa Docks	\$30 s.
South China Motors	\$10 s.
China Providents	\$5.40 s. (old)
Hongkows	\$284 s.
New Engineering	\$1 s.
Shanghai Docks	\$116 s.
Cottons.	
Ewo Cottons	\$13.75 s.
Shai Cottons	\$1 s.
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. & S. Hotels	\$12.40 s.
H. K. Land	\$84 1/2 s. (old)
do	\$84 1/2 s.
Public Utilities.	
Tramways	\$18 s.
Peak Tram	(old) \$14 1/2 s.
Star Electric	\$95 s.
H. K. Electric	\$80 1/2 s.
Telephone	\$25 1/2 s.
China Buses	\$19.60 s.
Singapore Tramways	\$7 10 s.
Industrials.	
China Sugar	30 s. s.
Malayan	\$27 s.
Cable	10.75 s.
Canton Iron	\$3.60 s.
Cement (Cable)	\$17.50 s.
Ropes	\$12.50 s.
United Asbestos	\$5 s.
Stores, etc.	
Dairy Farms	\$25.75 s.
Watsons	\$12.60 s.
Qer A. Wing	\$1 s.
Lane Crawford	\$3.90 s.
Singapore	\$13 1/2 s.
Miscellaneous.	
Amalgams	\$23 s.
Constructions	\$4.20 s.
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CINEMA NOTES.

LAVISH FASHIONS SEEN AT QUEEN'S.

Whether the month is June, October or December the girls are looking forward to the time when they will be able to wear "Something old—something new—something borrowed and something blue." In other words they are always interested in the subject of romances and things like that. An ideal opportunity is afforded them to indulge in an hour's enjoyment over the subject in Joan Crawford's latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "Our Blushing Brides," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre, for an entire sequence in the picture is reserved to a lavish fashion show display at which time six models led by Miss Crawford herself are called on to reveal the latest in trousseau ideas.

As all these girls represent a different type of personality and each girl wears a series of costumes covering every hour of the day, any amount of suggestions can be gleaned from viewing the picture.

There are, for instance, the intimate boudoir garments, some being in severe styles while some follow the most feminine ideas.

After this, there are introduced the latest in beach costumes. Here one will find novel bathing suits with accompanying pyjamas or the new enveloping skirts that are due for popularity this season. Hats that shield the arms and neck as well as the face are also introduced.

After this parade, there is a series of sports dress styles, followed by afternoon and evening costumes with accessories.

Marion Davies in "Not So Dumb."

From the time girls don their first hair bows they should have a special corner of their own for personal belongings.

This implants a feeling of ownership and pride and teaches them to be conscious of their personal appearance.

Especially since the fashions of 1929 have turned styles from the coquettish to the severe, should this feminine attribute be fostered.

Whether this sense of ownership is of the age of a dresser drawer and a corner in a closet or as luxurious as the portable dressing room which Marion Davies used during the taking of her latest picture, "Not So Dumb," which will be shown tomorrow at the Queen's Theatre, it will answer the

ALLEGED THREAT BY THE SOVIET.

MAY USE TROOPS TO PROTECT C.E.R. INTERESTS.

Tokyo, Jan. 13.
According to a report reaching one of the Government departments, the Soviet Government might feel compelled to send troops to Manchuria to protect the rights of the Chinese Eastern Railway, if China fails to observe the terms of the Habarovsk agreement.

It is further reported that troop movements of both the Soviet and the Chinese are taking place in the vicinity of the Sino-Soviet border, but it is doubtful if these reports can be taken seriously.—Reuter.

purpose if all the intimate possessions have a special place.

This especially equipped room also saves many steps and valuable hours a day for Miss Davies, as it contains every change of costume she may be called on to wear by her director. A large cast of well-known players surround Miss Davies in this King-Vidor directed picture, which was adapted from the popular stage play, "Dulcy," by Wanda Tuschek. Among them are Elliott Nugent, Raymond Hackett, Franklin Pangborn, Donald Ogden Stewart, William Holden, Julia Faye, Sally Starr and George Davis.

"The Vagabond King."
In transferring "The Vagabond King" to the motion picture screen, Paramount has lost nothing of the effect that made the operetta an outstanding stage success. Now showing at the Central Theatre, the film presents a new technique in colour production, and the clarity of the reproduction does not detract from the melodious musical numbers and stirring choruses, with which the film abounds.

Dennis King, the original Francois of the stage presentation in England and America, makes his first appearance in talking pictures in the production, and proves a fine singer and actor, while Jeanette MacDonald reprises her previous performance in her portrayal of Katherine.

Outstanding however is the Australian actor, Otto Hoggie, who handles the difficult role of the King. He has no musical numbers, and carries away many laurels from the principals by virtue of his convincing portrayal. Also on the cast are Warner Oland, Arthur Stone and Lillian Roth.

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RADIO NOTICES.

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INWARD MAILS.

From.	Per.	Date
Manila	Emp. of Japan	January 14.
Australia and Manila	Tai Ping	January 14.
Calcutta and Straits	Taima	January 14.
Java and Manila	Tijarak	January 15.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London 18th Dec. 1930)	Kashgar	January 16.
Parcels 11th Dec. 1930.)	Pres. Jackson	January 16.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 27th Dec. 1930.)	Kashmir	January 16.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 24th Dec. 1930)	Tijarak	January 18.
Shanghai and Amoy	Kamo Maru	January 21.
Japan	Hakone Maru	January 23.
Straits	Katori Maru	January 23.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Johnson	January 24.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 26 Dec. 1930.)	Emp. of Asia	January 26.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. 3rd Jan.)	Pres. Taft	January 26.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 2nd Jan.)		

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and when mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
Amoy	Tean	Wed. Jan. 14, 3.30 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Wed. Jan. 14, 4 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong	Wed. Jan. 14, 6 p.m.
*Swatow, *Amoy and Formosa	Del Maru	Thurs. Jan. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs. Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
Sandakan	Yusang	Thurs. Jan. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Haihow and Bangkok	Kwai Yang Thura	Thurs. Jan. 15, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangen	Thurs. Jan. 15, 3 p.m.
Dairen	Rhexenor	Thurs. Jan. 15, 5 p.m.
Haihow, Pakhoi and Halphong	King Yuan	Fri. Jan. 16, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	Fri. Jan. 16, 1 p.m.
Japan	Kashgar	Fri. Jan. 16, 6 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Kashgar	Fri. Jan. 16, 10 p.m.
	Registration	6 p.m.
	Letters	6 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Kashmir Sat. Jan. 17. K.P.O.

Parcels 16th 4.30 p.m. Registration Jan. 17, 9.00 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m. G.P.O.

Parcels 16th 5.00 p.m. Registration Jan. 17, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles, 14th Feb.)

Yusang Sat. Jan. 17, 10.30 a.m. Hwang Sat. Jan. 17, noon. Letters 1 p.m.

Amoy Sat. Jan. 17, 3.30 p.m. Bangkok via Swatow Sun. Jan. 18, 9 a.m. Sandakan Sun. Jan. 18, 9 a.m. Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Sun. Jan. 18, 9 a.m. Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.

Pres. Pierce Mon. Jan. 19. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Victoria, B.C., 6th February)

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia Pres. Pierce Mon. Jan. 19. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 6 p.m.

*Shanghai, *Japan and Honolulu Shinyo Maru Mon. Jan. 19, 5.00 p.m. Amoy Kuo Sang Mon. Jan. 19, 5 p.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island Tai Ping Tues. Jan. 20. Parcels 10.5 p.m. Registration Jan. 20, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 31st Jan.)

Manila and Java via Sourabaya Tijarak Tues. Jan. 20, 9.30 a.m. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Huiyang Tues. Jan. 20, 1.00 p.m.

Saiton, *Straits, *Ceylon, *India, *Mauritius, *East and *South Africa, Aden, *Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles General Metzinger Tues. Jan. 20.

K.P.O. 1 p.m. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 20th. Feb.)

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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

OUR CLOTHES.

Some Cold Facts About Them.

There is a famous shop which looks like the stage idea of a duke's private house. Therein last week I saw a charming elderly lady who is not at all well off order an evening dress at "a special price for you, Moddam—only forty guineas."

I had thought that it was quite a pretty frock, and with a few obvious improvements it could be made up for forty-five shillings, plus the price of the stuff, by a clever little dressmaker.

Paris has a flair for clothes, but Paris makes the most awful mistakes, and the worst of them she imposes upon credulous London and New York.

The real Paris is very conservative, but foreigners expect from her each season something new and something startling. With her tongue in her cheeks, Paris provides it, and misguided London pushes its hat on to the back of its head or trails its skirts in the dust, believing it is the very last word in smartness.

Paris, of course, wears its hat according to its forehead, and only the little midnights, trotting about with handboxes, show a bunch of dusty curls at the neck and sufficient naked crown to challenge the laws of gravity.

In a discreet atelier sacred to the ultra chic a vendeuse told me: "But, of course, none of our clients will wear long dresses in the daytime. Why should they? They are ugly and inconvenient."

Realities. Is it not time, then, that England stopped being fooled? We have not sufficient money in these days to pay twice and three times the value of dress for the label sewn into the waistband. It is unnecessary to spend more than a moderate sum on any frock today. Moreover, the actual dress that is selling for thirty to forty guineas in one shop is often procurable for twenty in another, fifteen in a third, and ten somewhere else.

Let us get down to realities. Some houses would have us

Regal Pyjamas.



Velvet pyjamas go marching on in the fashion parade. Sumptuous black velvet with the trousers cut to resemble a skirt fashion the regal "Pullman pyjama" at the left. The sleeve and neck decorations are of the same rich roman silk used for the sash. Peach beige, honey amber and ivory satin are the smartly blended shades in the smoking pyjamas at the right.

imagine that the line-to-day is so complicated that nobody except themselves can achieve it. Don't you believe it. On the whole, the more complicated the line the less effective the dress. "When in doubt add a pleat—or a frill—or an inverted something on the cross" is the motto of the bad workman.

Simplicity is far more attractive than any amount of labourious detail, and Frenchwomen know this perfectly well. The models that please them have no success in London because we, poor fools, feeling that we must get something for our money, insist on over-elaboration.

"It takes such a quantity of stuff," says Monsieur So and So when you hesitate at the forty guineas. Yes, it does. If you are very tall it takes seven yards to make a dress, and the heaviest silks are about a guinea a yard.

It is rank snobbery to imagine that because a dress is recognizable as a standardised French model it is necessarily better than a frock at a quarter the price specially designed in England for the individual who is to wear it.

Some time ago a well-known Parisian dressmaker had a five-days exhibition in London. She averaged £300 worth of orders each day and returned to her own country to execute them with French materials and French labour. On the last evening I met her at a dinner party.

She looked charming in a frock of blue and crystal which she told me cost "about forty guineas, unless, of course, you want it embroidered like yours with real diamonds. Then it would have to be more." She fingered my skirt. "It is

lovely," she said. "And what an original cut." It had cost fifteen guineas.

Let us have done with all this nonsense about clothes. It is not well dressed to look unsuitable and uncomfortable like the stars of Hollywood. It is not well dressed to look expensive and ornate. It is not necessarily well dressed to look like everyone else, which is the ambition of the Frenchwomen.

At the end of the war the majority of French manufacturers started to reorganise their business on modern lines. Every penny of their profits went into new machinery, while we were carelessly enjoying the boom and spending up to the limit.

Now they are reaping their profit and we have got to make-up lost time. We can do it, if Englishwomen will help. As a nation we have got brains and we have got ideas, but we have not yet learned to think for ourselves.

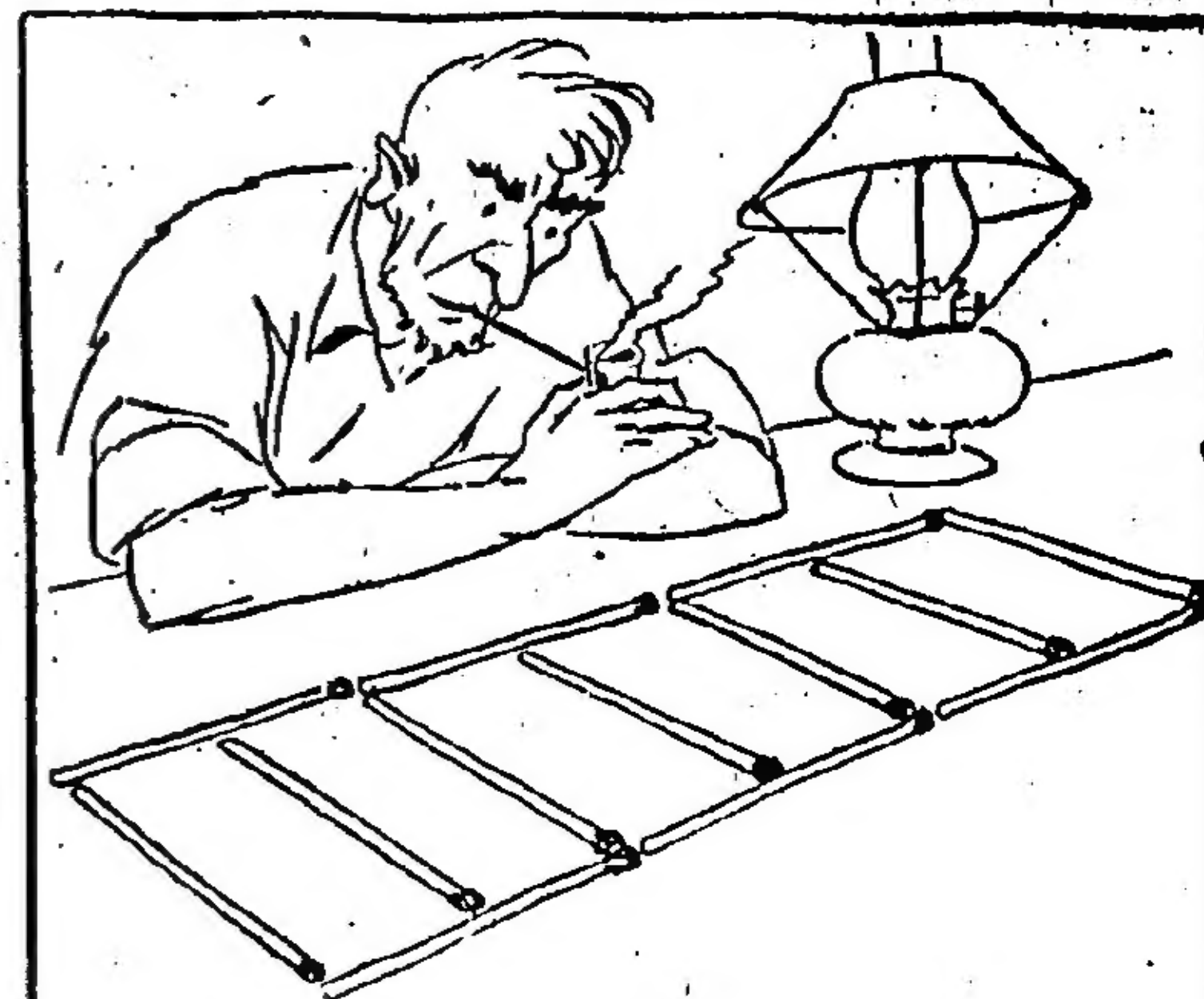
Meanwhile, it might benefit our depleted pockets to realise that we can get three original English models, and if we have courage and common sense we shall not only be as well dressed as our spendthrift neighbours, but feel it.

—Rutha Forbes.

FOR THE HATSTAND.

A black wooden elephant which holds a coat and hat brush will be a welcome accessory to any hall-stand. The brushes are backed with red wool, and the hat brush is placed in the elephant's mouth, while the larger clothes brush is held securely in place in a slot at the back of the animal's head.

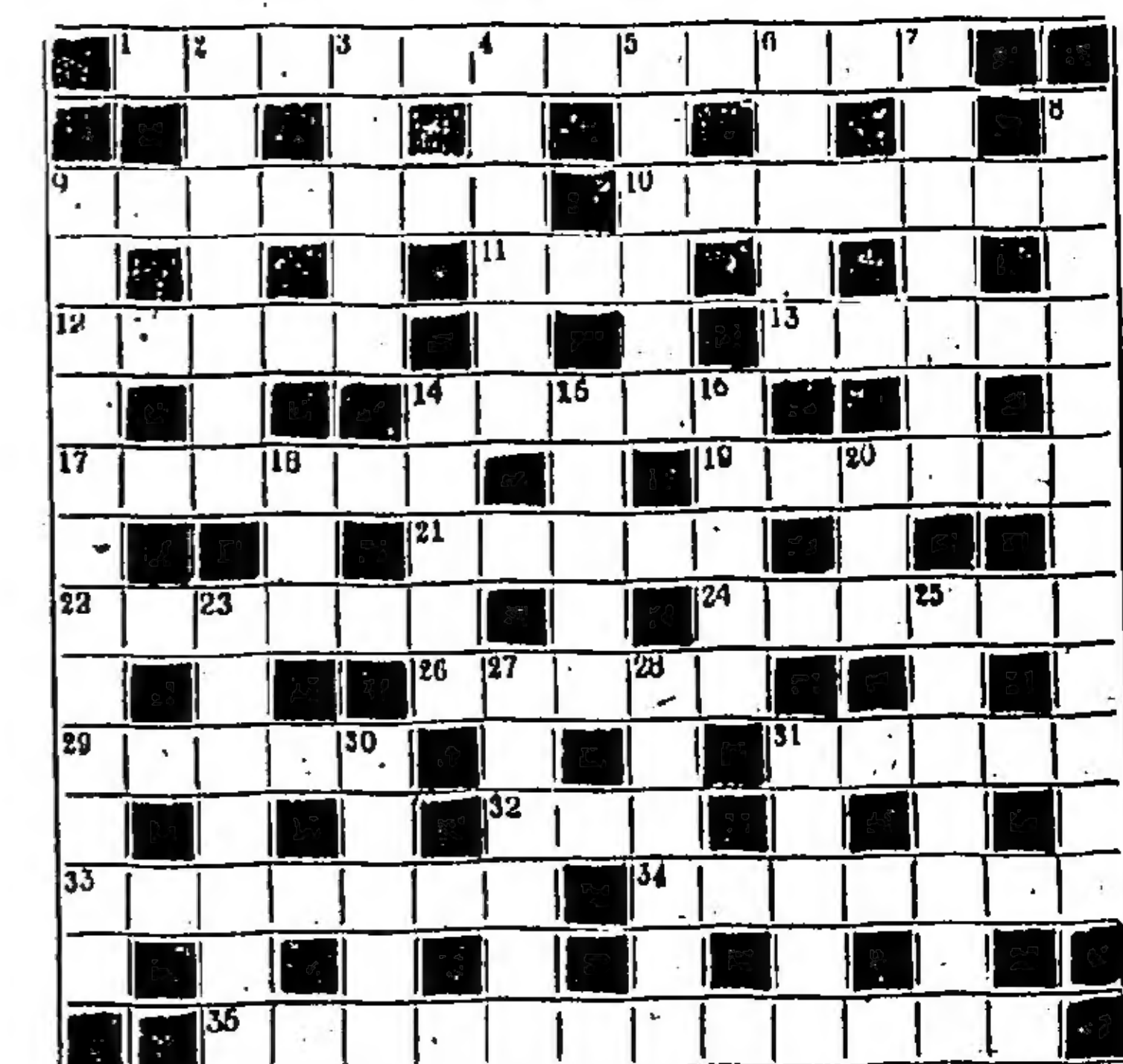
STICKLERS



THESE thirteen matches represent the enclosures of six sheep-pens, all of the same size. The side of one of these enclosures has been swept away by a storm and the farmer is attempting to discover a new way of enclosing six pens, all of equal size, with the remaining twelve sides. Can you do it with matches?

[The solution of yesterday's "Stickler" appears on another page.]

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- A harsh, sudden cry.
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- The material from which Demeter restored the shoulder of Pelops.
- What the Tyrolese mountaineers call.
- What bird would be useful when a new building is being erected?
- One of the level, treeless plains in Northern Russia.
- A little subaltern begins to conquer.
- It is best in Guernsey, in April especially (hidden).
- Originally, one of the Seven Wonders of the World.
- An article followed by two prepositions yields a bright colour.
- "In cases of defence 'tis best to weigh the—more might than he seems."—King Henry V.
- Gather together a quantity.
- Spring is nighly here.
- This will carry you.
- Excessive.
- A decidedly horsey mythological character.
- "He Italian lot" (anag.).

Down.

- A very personal matter, in print.
- Go slow, this is covered with a sticky black substance.
- In the customer certain? Is a guinea sterling? (hidden).
- An early warrior-bard, the subject of a heated controversy in the 18th Century.
- "It is so very, very late, that you may call it—by and by."—Romeo and Juliet.
- Gave way.
- "Green chose me" (anag.).
- A writer of comedies, some of whose works have survived for more than two thousand years.
- This stretch of Scottish land is almost filled with cars.
- A part song (two words).
- When you reach the gates say that you represent me and that I am as sorry as they can be (hidden).
- This bar is found in India.
- A sheepish sort of sound.
- Brain-urine is what gardeners call it.
- To adorn may give a severe blow.
- This was gully a long time ago, but it is not gully.
- A merchant in small wares.
- The dunce may be in for a bad one.
- Rising tones.

Yesterday's Solution.

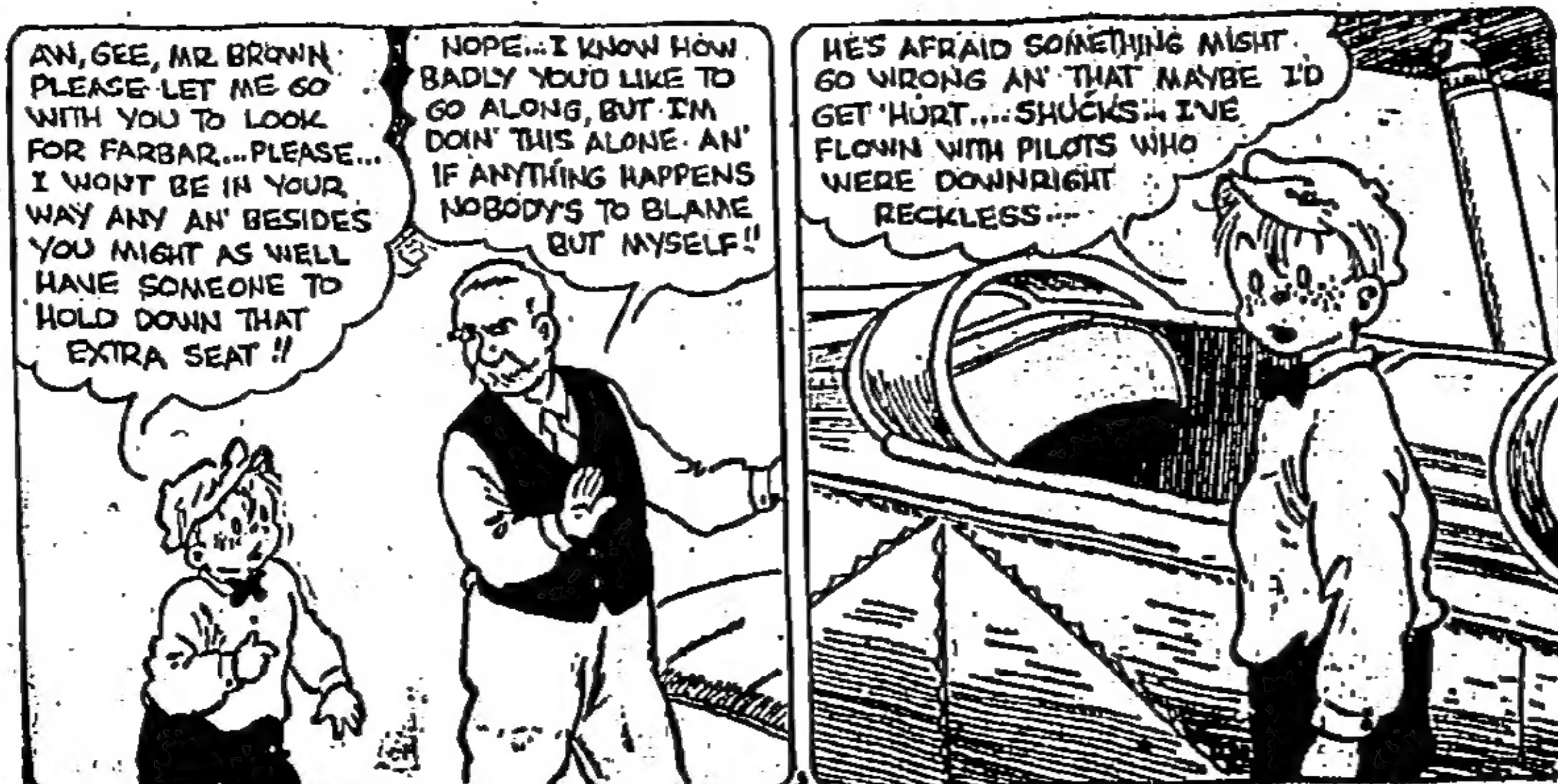
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The New Bob.



Here's the new national bob for 1931. Irene Dunne, film player, is wearing the mode chosen by the National Hair Dressers and Cosmetologists' Association which met in Los Angeles recently.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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INDIAN FEDERAL PROPOSALS.

When Mr. Winston Churchill, a few weeks ago, delivered himself of his unfortunate "Die-Hard" speech on India, one commentator pointed out that, after all, the views which he expressed did not differ materially, apart from a picturesque metaphor or two, from those which until recently were commonly accepted by a very large section of English opinion drawn from all political parties. Whilst that may be perfectly true, the almost universal condemnation which his utterance received from the British Press suffices to demonstrate the complete revolution in outlook which has occurred in the past few months and which has been accepted by the great bulk of responsible people in England. That feeling is, in our view, admirably reflected in the exhaustive report presented by the Federal Structure Committee of the Indian Round Table Conference. With the safeguards and reservations which it suggests, the plan should prove acceptable to the Government and the Liberal delegates, although the Conservatives are as yet unable to make up their minds one way or the other.

Whatever the future may have in store, it is clear that there is at present no important group of Indians prepared to work with the British Indian Government under existing conditions. That being the case, it is clear that there are only two alternatives—either that the Government must be reorganised independently of such support, or that Britain must be prepared to come to terms with some section of responsible Indians. The Round Table Conference proposals are an attempt to achieve this latter effect, whereas men of the type of Mr. Churchill advocate the other course. It has been well pointed out in this connexion that the main objection to the "strong hand" system of government is embodied in the old phrase about being "able to do anything with bayonets except sit upon them." It would be easy to attain a spurious appearance of stable government, and even attract to such a Government some of the less admirable elements in the country, "to create a wilderness and call it peace," but under the surface there would surely be deterioration. Moreover, the policy of repression does not commend itself to current thought, for

the "strong hand" policy has few adherents in these days, being based upon a tradition which is fortunately moribund.

We have never closed our eyes to the fact that the alternative method, represented by the Federal proposals now so much in favour, has its risks, but the point that needs stressing is that it also contains immense potentialities for good. The examples of Ireland and South Africa have only to be borne in mind to establish that truth. We cannot do better, with these thoughts in mind, than to recall the very courageous words used by Sir Austen Chamberlain in which he regretted his earlier vote against the South African settlement and justified his support of the Irish negotiations. Referring to the South African experiment, he declared:—"I thought it a rash and a wicked thing to do. If we could have seen further into the future, if I could have voted in that division with the knowledge I have to-day, I should have known that that great act of faith was not, as I thought it, the destruction of our policy, but its completion and fulfilment. . . . Now and again in the affairs of men there comes a moment when courage is safer than prudence, when some great act of faith, touching the hearts and stirring the emotions of men, achieves the miracle that no arts of statesmanship can compass." It is in the belief that the Indian Federal proposals can be squared with this outlook that we feel sure they will command widespread support and approval.

Dog-Roasting Incident.

Such facts as were disclosed regarding the dog-roasting incident at Ngau Shi Wan village on Saturday sufficed to leave a rather unpleasant taste in the mouth and an impression that the police acted somewhat hastily in withdrawing the charge against the perpetrators. At least, it would have been much more satisfactory from the public point of view had Mr. Butters elected to take evidence from the Indian constable before consenting. The men before the Court were accused of roasting the dog alive, and according to Inspector Elston, the agonised howling of the animal attracted the attention of the constable, who found it attached to an improvised spit. The case, on these facts, bore every mark of the most wanton cruelty. The outraged feelings of the prosecution, however, were satisfied by the report on a post-mortem examination, expressing the view that the dog had been suffocated before the roasting commenced. On such evidence, it would have been difficult to bring home the charge, unless—and this seems rather important—the Indian constable had testified that the dog was howling at the stake. Even the best veterinary surgeon is not infallible, and a post-mortem finding, in such circumstances, must always be the result as much of inference as of fact. The dog may not have been quite dead when the roasting began. The Indian could, to some extent, have cleared this point up. Then again, some suspicion arises regarding the reason for the men's act. Although some Chinese doubtless regard dog as a delicacy in their bill of fare, it is not at all certain that this taste here provided the motive. We imagine it to be most unusual for any animal to be roasted for purposes of human consumption unless it has first been thoroughly cleaned out. This dog was whole. If the men were actuated by any other motive, a *prima facie* case of gross cruelty lies beyond argument. We can understand a desire to waste as little as possible of the time of our Courts, but this case seems to have deserved further consideration.

To-night, in the Theatre Royal, Dr. Fennelly, past President of the British Association of Practical Psychology, will deliver two lectures. The first at 8.15 to women only and the second at 9.15 to men only. In these lectures the effort will be made to show the individual application of psychology to particular phases and conditions of life. The purpose of each lecture will be to indicate the value of present day knowledge in the solution of the many serious problems of manhood and womanhood. There is no charge for admission. A collection is taken to help defray expenses.

DAY BY DAY

WE HAVE AN OLD SAYING IN JAPAN THAT A WOMAN CANNOT LOVE A MAN WHO IS TRULY VAIN, FOR THERE IS NO CREVICE IN HIS HEART FOR LOVE TO ENTER AND FILL UP.—*Okakura-Kakuzo.*

Two Chinese cases of diphtheria were notified yesterday.

The B.I. a.s. Talma, from Singapore, is due here at 9 a.m. on Thursday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashmir, from Shanghai is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Luiz Augusto Ribeiro Remedios, No. 37, Granville Road, Kowloon, to Miss Mercedes Augusta Vieira Ribeiro, No. 6, Carnarvon Villa, Kowloon.

Tseng Hing (33), a woman living at 7, Eastern Street, Quarry Bay, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital after being rescued from the harbour into which she had thrown herself from the Taifoo Sugar Refinery in an attempt to commit suicide.

A Chinese was found drowned in a 9-foot deep water hole near Cheung Kee Hook village, Cheung-shawan, on the mainland, yesterday. Apparently, he had slipped into it during the previous night, while endeavouring to find the path leading into Sheklong village.

There was another case of diphtheria reported on Monday. Last week's summary shows seven cases of diphtheria (two deaths), three cases of typhoid fever (one imported), one case of cerebro-spinal fever and one case of puerperal fever. There were 51 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

The Society of Yorkshiremen in Hongkong advertise that owing to the death of the Princess Royal and the consequent Court Mourning, the President, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., will be unable to attend the Carabiet Dinner Dance, on January 23rd. The committee have decided to postpone the function to a later date. All members and guests will be notified as soon as new arrangements are made.

In prosecuting a pawnbroker before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning on a summons for receiving into pawn a jacket bearing the Government mark, Detective Sergeant O'Donovan informed his Worship that the garment belonged to a member of the Street Boys' Club who had absconded and pawned the coat. The pawnbroker was fined \$10.

A warrant was issued by Mr. Lindsell, at the Central Police Court this morning, for the arrest of Chau Kam, a married woman residing at 255, Queen's Road, who failed to appear in Court this morning to answer a summons accusing her of keeping an unregistered mul-tai. Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs appeared for the prosecution.

PSYCHOLOGY OF SUCCESS.

By P. FENNELLY, LL.D.

A REALISATION of our inherent capacity for great things, a conviction that we are intended to succeed will revolutionise our lives and eliminate the possibility of failure. The conviction that we cannot rise out of our environment; that we are the victims of circumstance, are thoughts that weaken our power of achievement, undermine our ability and bring failure, poverty and wretchedness in their wake. We cannot rise out of poverty until we think and believe we can. There is no science whereby a man can, when he thinks he cannot. There is no way by which a man can succeed when he thinks, talks and lives failure. We cannot go in opposite directions at the same time. We cannot grow strong when we harbour convictions of weakness and we will never be happy or successful while we dwell on our miseries and misfortunes.

Reversing Our Thought.

We cannot expect our faculties to be vigorous while we perpetually doubt our ability to do what we undertake. Nothing so weakens the mind and renders it unfit for effective thinking, as the constant acknowledgement of weakness or doubt of our ability to accomplish. Those who fail, begin by doubting their ability to do the things they attempt. The hour we permit doubt to enter our mind, we admit a traitor into our camp who, at the critical moment, will betray us. Our longing for prosperity and yearning for achievement will all be in vain, if we harbour any secret doubt in our heart of our ability to accomplish. The moment we admit weakness, the moment we confess defeat, that moment we are gone. To hold the thought that we are down, that we cannot rise, that success is for others, is to adjust ourselves to our thought and make any other condition impossible. How can we expect to be fortunate when we are always thinking of misfortune? As long as we think we are poor, miserable worms of the dust, we will be. We cannot rise above our thoughts. We cannot be different from our conception of ourselves. If we really believe we are unhappy, unlucky, miserable failures, we will be so. There is no drug or medicine or influence in the world that can get us out of this condition until we change our thought. A reversal of thought will bring about a reversal of condition, as surely as sunshine and rain unfold the petals of a rose.

Confidence A Creative Force.

People who do great things have tremendous positive ability. They do not know the meaning of failure. Their power of assertion and their conviction of capacity are so strong that the opposites do not trouble them. When they make up their minds to do a thing they take it for granted they can do it. They are not filled with doubts and fears no matter who may scoff or ridicule.

We owe the blessing of modern civilisation to the sublime confidence past generations had in themselves and their indomitable faith in their mission which nothing could shake. The history of all great forward movements is the history of the personality and individuality of the man or woman at the head of it. Confidence and trust, are creative forces which generate, produce and achieve while doubt and fear tear down and destroy. Faith in ourselves and in our purpose eliminates doubt and uncertainty, increases our power of concentration and enables us to push steadily forward towards the accomplishment of a definite purpose. Failures are those who are weak in self-confidence and lack that abounding belief in themselves that marks the successful man. The most priceless treasure we all have is the confidence and belief that we can accomplish. When this is gone, our whole structure goes.

Weighing Conflicting Theories.

A wavering mind makes a wavering execution. There must be certainty or there is no efficiency. The ignorant man who believes in himself, who has the faith that he can do the thing he undertakes, often puts to shame his better educated brother, whose over culture has brought with it increased sensitiveness and a lessening of self-confidence and whose decision is weakened by constantly weighing conflicting theories.

Belief In Ourselves.

The confidence we have in ourselves is the measure of the confidence the world will have in us. We produce in others our own attitude of mind. Our thought unconsciously manifests itself in our conduct and effects every one we meet. The world takes us at our own price and very properly too, for who should know our worth better than ourselves? If we underestimate ourselves, if we mark ourselves down, if we offer ourselves at a bargain, we will be bought up cheaply and at a bargain we will go. If on the other hand we believe in our own value, we will not only command the respect and esteem of all we meet, but at the same time we will command a larger share of the goods of this world. When we believe in ourselves the world believes in us. When we doubt ourselves the world doubts us.

Certainty of Purpose.

When we possess a conviction of ability to accomplish what we undertake, at that moment we are positive and strong. Certainty in our purpose creates certainty in our movements. When we know what we want then we are established and can pour the full volume of our ability towards its accomplishment. We will radiate faith and conviction and overcome doubt and hesitation in others. They will catch the

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LOCAL DOG-OWNERS
FINED.PEAK RESIDENTS AMONG
OFFENDERS.

Several prosecutions were brought against dog-owners before Mr. Williams, at the Central Police Court this morning, accusing them of having failed to observe the regulations, recently re-enforced, requiring all dogs to be muzzled or put on a leash when abroad.

Lieut. H. Gough, of the Royal Corps of Signals, residing at 266, The Peak, was summoned for allowing a dog to be abroad without a muzzle and, on admitting the offence, was fined \$5.

When a summons was mentioned against Mr. van Gelder, of 264, The Peak, the defendant remarked:—"I don't know, but I admit it. I quite understand it is possible the dog got out. I did not see it myself." A fine of \$5 was imposed.

Mrs. Schiffer, of 8, Felix Villas, was summoned for allowing two dogs to be abroad without muzzles. When asked if the summons were correct the defendant replied:—"I think so; I don't know who opened the door." His Worship fined Mrs. Schiffer \$3 for each dog.

COAL AND COTTON
DISPUTES.THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT
INTERVENES.

London, Jan. 13.

Active measures are being taken to-day by the Government to arrive at a settlement of the disputes in the South Wales coalfield, where a stoppage of work is general, and in the Lancashire weaving disputes, which while at present confined to Burnley weaving sheds has threatened to lead to an extended stoppage of work owing to the cotton employers' decision to lock out the operatives.

Both owners' and miners' representatives from South Wales met the President of the Board of Trade, and decided that the Association should be summoned to-day for separate meetings with Mr. Graham and the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Shinwell.

Announcement of the Government's intervention in the cotton dispute was made by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, in a speech at Burnley last night, when he stated that an official of the Labour Ministry would preside over a joint meeting of the parties to the dispute, in Manchester to-day.—*British Wireles.*

GIRLS' RECORD FLIGHT.

NEW ENDURANCE MARK
FOR WOMEN.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 9.

After having flown continuously for 123 hours and 50 minutes Miss Bobby Trout and Miss Edna Cooper landed here to-day. They came down only upon strict orders from their financial backers who feared that their health would suffer from further continuous flying.

Miss Trout and Miss Cooper have established a new all-time endurance aeroplane flight record for women. As long ago as 8.45 o'clock last Tuesday morning the well known American aviatrices passed the old mark of 42 hours and 16 minutes.

It was 6.20 o'clock this afternoon when Miss Trout and Miss Cooper landed to be greeted by a tremendous ovation. For more than five days they had drenched their monotonous way over Los Angeles, never coming to earth and receiving gasoline and food supplies from a refuelling plane which soared up to them at regular intervals.

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SUCCESS.

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contagion of our assurance and accept it as the evidence of our ability.

We Radiate Our Moods.

To acknowledge our inability, to give way to doubt, is to take the first step in the direction of failure. We should never allow our matter how dark the way may seem. Nothing will destroy the confidence of others so quickly as doubt in our own minds. We radiate our moods and project them into the minds of others. If we doubt ourselves, if we are uncertain of our own powers, if we question our own ability, others will doubt us, others will be uncertain of us and others will question us. If we trust and believe in ourselves, if we are confident and certain of our ability and purpose, if we have implicit, deep-rooted unshakable faith in our capacity to accomplish, then the world will trust and believe us, we will command man's confidence and faith and will know the glory and triumph of achievement and success.

ANCIENT HOUSES.

MORE POWERS TO PREVENT
EXPORTATION.

Lord Ponsonby (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport), in moving in the House of Lords, the second reading of the Ancient Monument Bill, pointed out that the Office of Works was now the custodian for a number of ancient monuments in various parts of the country. During the last ten years the popularity of these places of interest had greatly increased, and the present Bill enabled the Commissioners of Works to carry out schemes for the preservation of their amenities.

This matter had been brought forward in connexion with Hadrian's Wall and the vallum. If the Bill had been in existence earlier, an area round Stonehenge could have been reserved without the expenditure of the large sum of money which had been necessary.

"There is no doubt," he said, "that old houses have been taken down wholesale and exported. There are many instances of houses having their valuable features destroyed, and panelling, doors, fireplaces, and so on, wrenched from them and exported."

"The sum total of these cases may not be very great for the time being, but with the advance of engineering we may look forward to the time when there will be no difficulty in shifting houses from one continent to another, and we feel that it is just as well that some provision for preventing any eventuality of that sort should be put into this Bill" (Hear, hear).

Lord Dunsford (C) maintained that the clause empowering the Commissioners to prohibit the export of ancient buildings was drawn too widely. He particularly referred to the barns. "Many owners," he said, "would be glad to have a few hundred pounds from an American or anyone else for one of these old barns."

Lord Raglan (C) agreed that it would be rather severe on an owner who was "hard up" to be prevented from selling a barn or other small building for export. Lord Ponsonby replied that the Commissioners would act reasonably in such cases. It was necessary, however, for them to have some hold on notorious cases where a valuable monument or part of a house of real value to the nation was going to be stripped and exported.

The Bill was read a second time.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS.

The following cabled quotations at the close of the sugar markets yesterday have been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.:

London Terminals.

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March 1.32 down 1 pt.
May 1.39 no change.
July 1.46 no change.
September 1.53 no change.
December 1.61 up 1 pt.
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Summarizing 13/1/31.—Market uncertain, undertone fairly steady. A telegram received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co. states that the Sugar Conference plan has been ratified.

MR. SCULLIN'S
WARNING.FOLLY TO ENCOURAGE
SETTLERS.

Rome, Dec. 14.

Mr. Scullin, the Australian Prime Minister, on the conclusion of his conversations with Signor Mussolini and the Italian Foreign Minister, Signor Grandi, made a statement to the Press on the "misconception" and "misunderstandings" concerning Australia's immediate capacity to absorb immigrants.

He said that, although Australia was a vast continent, the immigration problem rested not on the amount of space available to settlers but on the country's capacity to receive newcomers at a rate which would not throw the whole national life out of balance.

"With the whole question complicated by serious unemployment difficulties, it would be the height of folly on our part at the present stage to give any encouragement to settlers," he added.

In conclusion, he said that the outstanding question of the Italian settlers who had been denied admission was being dealt with by the Acting Prime Minister.

The temperature at Shanghai at 6 o'clock this morning was 21, compared with 42 in Hongkong.

UNEASINESS AMONG
MOSLEMS.

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stitution for India, and declared that unless safeguards for Mussulmans were provided which gave a complete sense of security, and unless their co-operation and willing consent was obtained, no constitution would work for twenty-four hours. He had serious doubts of an All-India Federation materialising, but all avenues leading to it should be explored.

He thought the special powers of the Governor General should be limited to the case of a complete breakdown or of a grave emergency endangering the peace and tranquillity of the country.

Mr. Srinivasan Sastri regretted it was necessary to put a block in the name of the Moslem community upon further progress. If the Moslem demands were not met in full, he should have thought it possible to trust to arbitration or to the decisions of the Government of India arrived at after careful consideration. Some such method might still save the situation.

The only safeguards he favoured were regarding defence, external affairs, and a certain aspect of paramilitary. Upon all other subjects he felt the Constitution should not detract from the full powers of a Dominion.

Conservative Statement.

Lord Peel said there were points in the report which the Conservatives would have to criticise.

On the whole they thought it better to draw up a joint statement as follows:—Lord Peel and Sir Samuel Hoare, with the information at their disposal, and with so many questions still undecided, are not convinced that the kind of Executive envisaged in the report can be successfully adapted to the special conditions of an All-India Federation. They therefore desired to see further explored, methods for increasing Indian control over the Federal Government that are better suited to All-India needs than those founded upon British precedents.

They recommended that the Government should secure the imperial obligations will prove effective, and, in particular, they fear that the financial proposals will disturb the confidence of the commercial classes and impair the stability of Indian credit.

Judgment Reserved.

They wish, however, to record their appreciation of the progress which has been made in the elucidation of the constitution and other difficult problems, and their readiness to co-operate with sympathetic and unprejudiced minds in its further investigation. Meantime they must reserve their opinion upon many disputed issues.

Appeal for Good Sense.

Sir Tej Supra said that an All-India Federation had been the basic idea throughout the conference and it would bear fruit—for it had in it the germs of the unification of India, which would be the biggest experiment in the history of India.

Dealing with the minorities, he emphasised the necessity of their being satisfied that they had a position of honourable safety under the Constitution, otherwise the Constitution would not endure. He still hoped the good sense of the two communities would prevail, and that the foundations would be laid of a permanent unity between all communities in India.

If they stood by the Constitution as now suggested, they could improve it to the satisfaction of everyone in India.

They would have to wait long to get such another chance.

British Action Asked.

Sir Mirza Ismail said he did not think the communal question would be settled by the communities themselves, and the only course was for the British Government to proceed on the recommendations in the despatch of the Government of India.

Several States delegates expressed their willingness to enter the Federation, although an amendment in one or two particulars was desired by some.

I.O.S. Future.

The report of the Services Sub-Committee which was presented to-day recommends provision under the new Constitution for the maintenance of the rights and safeguards of existing members of the Indian Civil Service. It also recommended regarding the Indian Civil and Indian Police Services that recruitment be continued on an All-India basis, but the majority favoured the recruitment for judicial officers should no longer be made in the Indian Civil Service. The Forest service and the Irrigation Branch should be provincialised and no longer recruited on an All-India basis.

The majority thought that some recruitment of Europeans should continue for the Indian Civil and

IMMENSITY OF SPACE.

THE EARTH A NEWCOMER TO
THE UNIVERSE.

"If Adam had been a wireless operator and had sent out an S.O.S. it would not have reached the nearest globular cluster of stars yet."

"If the first man to inhabit the earth had built a wireless station and sent out a call to all stations in space to inquire if there were any other intelligent beings in the universe, this call would not yet have reached even the nearest of the nebulae."

These were statements by Sir James Jeans, the astronomer, in a broadcast talk from London when he described the birth of a star.

If calculations were correct, Sir James said, our sun was not only losing weight at the rate of four million tons a second; but was shrinking in size and brilliancy. If we looked far enough ahead, in time it would not emit heat enough to keep everything on earth from freezing, so that life would, in all probability, have disappeared from the earth before then.

Sir James said that it looked probable that the matter of the universe started as a gas uniformly diffused through space; the gas condensed into distinct detached blobs, which were the present nebulae, and if that conjecture was sound they could piece together the story of the evolution of the universe.

Whether there was more complex life on other planets or other suns, or only less complex life, or perchance no life at all, we simply did not know, but as we looked down the almost endless vistas of the great corridor of time, we saw that our race was an absolute newcomer in the universe.

Indian Police Services, and that the recruiting and controlling authority in future should be the Government of India.

"Europeans Only" Doomed.

It is recommended that there be no Civil branch of the Indian Medical Service and that no Civil appointments under the Government of India or the Provincial Governments be in future reserved for Europeans only. Special consideration should be given to claims for employment in the public services of the Anglo-Indian community, and the view is expressed that there should be a Statutory Declaration that no person be under any disability for admission or promotion in any branch of the public services merely by reason of community, caste, creed or race, the committee bearing in mind the particular case of the depressed classes, who should have all Services, including the Police, thrown open to them.—*Reuter and British Wireles.*

Official Review.

London, Jan. 13.

The Government of India's appreciation of the situation up to January 10 records no marked change.

Attempts to intensify civil disobedience had, in general, results which do not give serious cause for anxiety. Interest in the proceedings of the Round Table Conference has increased now that considered conclusions are being reached, and a wider feeling of hope for substantial results from the conference is apparent.—*British Wireles.*

Defence Questions.

London, Jan. 13.

The problem of the future defence of India, which is being examined by the Defence Committee of the Indian Conference, is now focussed in a series of resolutions which were submitted yesterday by its chairman, Mr. J. H. Thomas. They express the view that, with the development of a new political structure in India, the defence of India must to an increasing extent be the concern of the Indian people, and in order to give practical effect to this principle they recommend:

Firstly, that immediately steps be taken to increase the rate of Indianisation in the Indian Army, consistent with the maintenance of the requisite standard of efficiency.

Secondly, that a training college in India be established to train candidates for commissions. Indian cadets should, however, continue to be eligible for admission, as at present, to Sandhurst, Woolwich and Cranwell.

Thirdly, that in order to avoid delay, the Government of India be instructed to set up a committee of experts both British and Indian, including representatives of Indian States, to work out details of the establishment of such a college.

On a further resolution which suggests that the question of reduction of the number of British troops in India should form the subject of early expert investigation, Lord Reading is stated to express the opinion as to reduction that he would be much surprised if it could be done now. Mr. Thomas pointed out that the whole question of defence was subject to the decisions and views of the Committee of Imperial Defence.—*British Wireles.*

MURDER TRIAL
SURPRISE.SERIOUS ALLEGATION BY
SOLICITOR.

A remarkable incident marked the closing stages of the trial of Fred Gill, aged 26, who was sentenced to death at Leeds Assizes for the murder of Oliver Preston, an elderly moneylender, in his office at Keighley.

Dr. James Stewart Logan, of Leeds, was called as a witness for the defence, and said that he was asked to give evidence only two days previously. He understood the doctor who was to have given evidence had been asked to retire from the case.

Mr. Charles Mycock, solicitor, of Leeds, went into the witness-box and said: "When I was instructed for the defence I attached great importance to the medical evidence, and made it my business to find a man qualified as highly as could be to give evidence. I found such a man, who went over to Keighley, examined the scene of the crime critically, and made himself fully acquainted with the facts. On Thursday he asked me to release him from the case and not press him to give evidence. I asked him why. He informed me that the Chief Constable of the West Riding had sent a highly-placed detective officer to tell him that he would run a serious risk if he gave evidence in the case. On that I released him."

Mr. Lowenthal (prosecuting)—The Chief Constable of the West Riding is here and will be prepared to say—

The Judge—If this matter is to be inquired into this is not the time and place for it. The doctor, whose name has been passed up to me, may be asked what he has to say about it.

Mr. Beaton, a barrister, later applied for permission for the hearing of the Leeds C.I.D. to go into the witness box and state that the allegation made against him was untrue.

The Judge said that that was not the place for the reply to be made. Gill was sentenced to death, and the Judge said to him: "I can hold out no hope that the sentence will not be carried out. Your time is short, and I would tell you to prepare yourself for that end."

WAR DEPARTMENT'S
GAS TESTS.POISONS USED ON
ANIMALS.

Mr. Freeman (Sec. Brecon), who was received with laughter and ironical cheers, asked the Secretary for War in the House of Commons whether, in view of the fact that many drugs and poisons, such as hemlock, opium, belladonna on rabbits, opium on pigeons, lemon juice on cats, and strychnine on monkeys had an entirely different effect to that on human beings, he would state what methods were used for proving that other poisons used on animals had the same effect on human beings.

Mr. Shaw—The statement that the effect of certain substances on particular animals—(cries of "Rabbits" and laughter)—differs from the effect on human beings, affords no good ground for disregarding the connexion between the effect of various gases on animals and their effect on human beings which experience in the war established.

Mr. Freeman—Is it not the case that an experiment on animals for the purpose of poison gas is no basis for experiments on human beings?

Mr. Shaw—I am not a medical man myself—(cheers and laughter)—and cannot say what the effect of lemon juice on cats is. (Loud laughter.) I have taken the best professional advice I can. I have given careful and anxious thought to the matter, and I am satisfied from the evidence that these experiments are necessary in the interests of humanity.

Mr. E. Brown (L. Leith)—Has the rabbit at last come out of the hat? (Laughter.)

Mr. Shaw—I think that one is dead. (Renewed laughter.)

Dr. Morris-Jones (L. Denbigh)—The Minister avows that the drug known as hemlock has the same effect on some human beings as it has on goats? (Loud laughter and cries of "Name.")

Mr. Shaw—I have heard that hemlock had a very damaging effect on Socrates. (Laughter.)

BAZAAR SWEEPSTAKE
PROSECUTION.

INSTRUCTIONS TO POLICE.

A threepenny sweepstake for a bazaar was the subject of a prosecution at Stamford, Lincolnshire, on Dec. 13, when Arthur Edwin Goodacre Dixon, agent to the Rutland and Stamford Conservative Association, was summoned for publishing a scheme for the sale of tickets in a lottery.

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ed for aiding and abetting. The draw was run in connexion with the Association's bazaar two months ago.

Inspector Markham said that Dixon protested to him that the draw was identical with hundreds carried out throughout the country daily.

Cross-examined, he said that he remembered a draw in Stamford early this year in aid of Stamford Infirmary, but he could not say whether there was any difference between the two or why proceedings were not taken in the first case. He simply acted on instructions.

The case was dismissed on payment of costs.

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Clemens. 35933.

Friedrich Schorr (Baritone). 6788.
7.30-8.05 p.m. Orchestral.

Spanish Dance (Granados). 35977.
New Light Symphony Orch.

Triana (Albani). 35978.
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Toccata and Fugue (Bach). 35979.
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Irish Rhapsody (Herbert). 35987.
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8.05-8.45 p.m. Concert Items.
Pianoforte Solo-Once Lives But Once
(Strauss-Tausig).
Sergei Rachmaninoff. 6036.

Song-Solov's Cradle Song
(from Peer Gynt) (Grieg).
Song-Solov's Enchanted Song
(from Peer Gynt) (Grieg). 4014.

Harp Solo-Old Folks At Home
(Foster).
Harp Solo-Home Sweet Home
(Payne-Bishop). 4001.

Song-Mighty Lak' A Rose
(Stanton-Nevin).
Paul Robeson (Bass). 2239b.

Balalaika Solo-Czarinas (Andreeff).
Balalaika Solo-Caprice (Flani-
Dobrohotoff).
V. Pick. 22369.

Song-Good-Bye (Whyte-Melville
and Paolo Tosti).
Rosa Ponnelle (Soprano). 8711.

Organ Solo-A Perfect Day
(Carrie Jacobs-Bond).
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8.45-9.00 p.m. Musical Comedies.
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Show Boat-Oh! Man River.
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The Love Song-Gems.
The Student Prince in Heidelberg.
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9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local
Time, etc.
9.05-9.30 p.m. Variety.

Chorus-St. Louis Blues (Handy).
Warren Mills and His Blue
Serenaders. 35902.

Monologue-Oh! Man Adam An' His
Chillum.
Marshall Cole and The Trick
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Chorus.
Songs of Scotland.
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Chorus-Miss Annabelle Lee.
Paul Whiteman's Rhythm Boys. 21104.

Quartet-Everybody Loves My Girl.
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9.30-11.00 p.m. Dance Programme.

Fox Trot-I Can't Give You
Anything But Love. 21514.
Fox Trot-Sweet Lorraine.
Fox Trot-Maybe This Is
Love. 21788.

Fox Trot-Pompanola.
Fox Trot-You're Just Another
Memory. 22034.

Fox Trot-Baby-Oh Where Can
You Be? 21689.
Waltz-If I Lost You.
Waltz-That Old Sweetheart
Of Mine.

Fox Trot-The Man I Love. 21233.
Fox Trot-Let A Smile Be Your
Umbrella. 22029.

Fox Trot-Miss You.
Fox Trot-Heigh Ho! Everybody.
Heigh Ho! 21511.

Fox Trot-C-O-N-S-T-I-N-O-P-L-E.
Felix.
Felix. 22261.

Fox Trot-Who Wouldn't Be Blue.
Waltz-Lazy Lou-Anna Moon. 22324.
Fox Trot-Gypsy Dream Rose.
22261.

Fox Trot-Mary I Love You.
Fox Trot-Min Cara.
Fox Trot-Rollin' Down The River.
Waltz-Sleepy Valley.
Fox Trot-Dancing To Save Your
Soul. 22384.

Fox Trot-I Never Dream You'd
Fall In Love With Me. 22361.
Fox Trot-I Still Remember.
Waltz-Chinquin.
Waltz-Twelve O'Clock Waltz.
God Save The King.
11.00 p.m. Close Down.

4. "LAVENDER LADIES."

SHANGHAI AND GREYHOUND
RACING DAN.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.

In two vigorous editorials, the
North China Daily News strongly
criticizes the Municipal Council's at-
titude over the release of the decision
to close the greyhound courses, saying
there is no reason why the community
should have been kept ignorant for
so long, and needlessly, by "lavender
ladies."—Our Own Correspondent.

THE RYDER CUP.

CHARLES WHITCOMBE TO BE
BRITAIN'S CAPTAIN.

London, Jan. 13.

Charles Whitcombe has been chosen
as the Captain of the British Ryder-
Cup team.—Reuter.

At the monthly meeting of the
Council of the Hongkong Football
Association held yesterday afternoon
a hearty welcome was extended to
Mr. R. Hall, a former chairman, who
has just returned from leave. The
business was all of a formal nature.

CHANG FOR PEKING.

MAY GIVE UP POSTS IN MANCHURIA.

Peking, Jan. 13.
According to apparently reliable
Chinese reports from Tientsin,
Chang Hsueh-jiang contemplates
relinquishing his posts of com-
mander of frontier defence in
Manchuria and Chairman of
Liaoning (Fengtien), handing
over to Chang Tso-hsiang.

Wan Fu-lin would replace Chang
Tso-hsiang as chairman of Kirin;
and Kao Chyi-l, at present director
of the Peking-Mukden Railway, re-
place Wan Fu-lin as chairman of
Heilungkiang.

Chang Hsueh-jiang would then
devote himself entirely to his post
as Vice-Commandant of the Head-
quarters in Peking. He is reported
to be wiring asking the consent
of the Central Government to these
proposals.

The reports state that, if these
arrangements materialize, Chang
will go to Mukden within a week,
and after two months of winding
up his affairs there, will go to
Peking at the end of March to
organize his permanent head-
quarters.—Reuter.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND IN HARBOUR.

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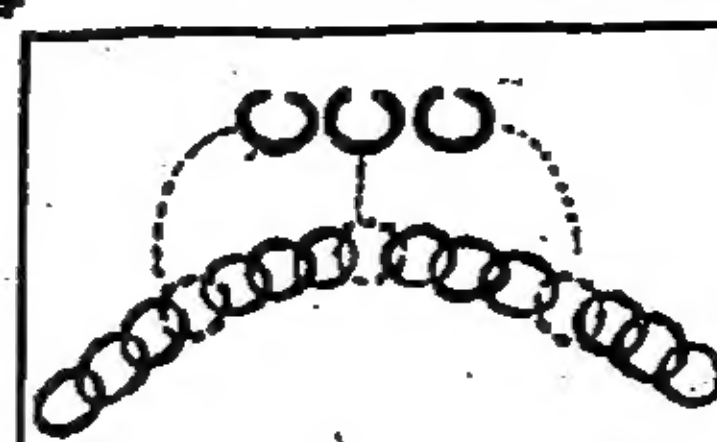
Another case of murder is sus-
pected by the police, following the
discovery of a Chinese woman's
body, tied to a stone, in the Yau-mat
typhoon shelter, yesterday after-
noon. The body has not yet been
identified.

Sampan dwellers reported the
discovery of the body near the
southern entrance about 3.45 p.m.
yesterday. The woman appeared to
be about 25 years of age, and was
dressed in black jacket and trousers.
One end of a piece of rope was tied
tightly round her neck and the
other end was fixed to a heavy
stone.

In the pockets of the woman's
clothing were a piece of paper and
two pawn tickets, each bearing dif-
ferent names and addresses. No
information could be gained from
these sources.

Police do not think that the body
is connected with the case of sus-
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kok on January 5, owing to the dis-
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HON. MR. FOO PING-SHEUNG
AT ROTARY MEETING.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

An address on the Codification of China's Civil Code was delivered by Mr. Foo Ping-sheung at the weekly luncheon of the Hongkong Rotary Club, which was held at Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant yesterday, under the Chairmanship of Sir William Hornell.

After the Chairman had introduced the Hon. Mr. Foo, he spoke as follows:

I have chosen the Chinese Civil Code as my subject, not only because I have been cracking my brain over it for the last two years, not only because, by its promulgation, our Government has performed its obligation to several foreign Powers, but because its promulgation has opened up a new era in Chinese legal history, and it serves as the most interesting study in our social development which has followed the opening of our country and the introduction of western ideas. I may safely say that the East and the West, the past and the present, meet in this Code.

China began her codification work as far back as 1904. While a very good criminal code and several other laws have been promulgated, the Civil Code was found to be too difficult. This was because our social order was so much different from that of the Occident, and any social change by force when the time is not ripe, is bound to failure.

Social Condition.

The social condition in 1904 had not been sufficiently developed to such a stage as to be able to admit any fundamental changes. Nor was the time ripe in 1914. That is why my late uncle and venerable chief, Dr. Wu Ting-fang, and my internationally-known learned friend, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, had failed to produce a Civil Code for us. Conditions have changed, and changed rapidly, during the last ten years, and when the Legislative Yuan was formed three years ago, the time was found to be ripe. A special Commission was appointed by the Government and the whole Code was finished and promulgated last month.

Five Code Books.

The Code is divided into five books—Book one is on General Principles and was promulgated on May 23rd, 1929, to come into force on October 10 of the same year. It contains 162 articles dealing with the general parts of the code such as (1) application and interpretation of law, (2) persons, (3) juristic acts (4) extinctive prescriptions (5) exercise of rights.

Book two is on obligations, and was promulgated on November 21, 1929, to come into force on May 5, 1930. It contains 604 articles and is subdivided into two chapters. The first is on general provisions dealing with sources, objects, effects of obligations, plurality of creditors and debtors, and transfer and extinction of obligations. The second is on particular kind of obligations, dealing with sales, exchange, current account, gift, lease, loan, hire of services, hire of work, publication, mandate, manager and commercial agents, brokerage, commission agency, deposit, warehousing, carriage of goods, carriage of passengers, forwarding agency, partnership, sleeping partnership, orders of payment, obligations to bearer, life interests, compromise and suretyship.

Book Three.

Book three is on rights over things and was promulgated on November 30 to come into force at the same time as Book two, that is to say on May 5, 1930. It contains 210 articles dealing with ownership, superficies, yung tien, servitudes, mortgages, pledges, lien, right of retention and possession.

Book four is on family and was promulgated on the 28th of last month. It contains 171 articles dealing with general provisions with marriage, parents, and children, guardianship, maintenance, house and family council.

Book five is on inheritance and was promulgated on the 28th of last month. It contains 88 articles and deals with heirs to property, succession to property and wills.

The scope of the code has been enlarged to make it a civil and commercial code, while having separate laws for negotiable instruments, insurance, commercial companies and maritime law.

Substance of the Code.

I have no time to-day to deal with the substance of the Code,

ROYAL BEREAVEMENT.

MESSAGE FROM HONGKONG ACKNOWLEDGED.

The following telegram has been received by His Excellency the Governor from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"I have it in command from His Majesty to convey to you and His subjects in the Colony of Hongkong His grateful appreciation of their message of sympathy to Their Majesties and the Royal Family in their bereavement."

But I may say a few words about its nature. Our late leader, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, has, on several occasions, brought out the point that the old Chinese conception of law was already ahead of that of the western legislators. Occidental legislation is essentially individualistic; it is intended to protect the rights of the individual and to let them freely develop. The traditional Chinese legislation, on the contrary, is familiar. It subordinates the activities of the individual to the interests of his family. The new Chinese legislation, based on the three principles, racial, democratic and economic, is going a step further and has a deliberate social character. Our party considers men not as self-contained entities, but in relation to the society which they form. It assigns to them rights and duties only in so far as the exercise of such rights and duties tends to pacific and orderly progress of the community. It restricts their activities when they would be harmful to the group.

Three Principles Adopted.

We have adopted, therefore, three principles which we have followed throughout our whole Code. They are (1) restrictions on the exercise of rights, (2) the principle of humanity, i.e., the protection as far as possible, of the weaker party and (3) the equality of sex.

With regard to the first principle, of restricting the exercise of rights, we have a whole chapter with seven articles in Book one, provisions in chapter two of Book three dealing with ownership, and several other provisions.

The application of our second principle is much more frequent. In fact it is to be found throughout the whole Code. However, I may point out a few here:

In articles 203 to 207, the legal rate and maximum rate of interests have been fixed. Article 218 provides that (on payment of damages) when the injury was not caused intentionally, or through gross negligence, if its reparation would seriously affect the means of livelihood of the person responsible for it, the Court may reduce the amount of the damages.

Our provisions in Book two dealing with lease, protects more the interests of the lessee. Similarly, our provisions dealing with the hire of services, protects the interests of the employee. Between the editor and the author, our provisions are much more in favour of the author. The holder of yung tien is well protected by Chapter four in Book three.

As to the third principle, that of equality of sex, we have given to our fair sex every right and privilege that the stronger sex have enjoyed, and this is no easy task for us, in the Civil Codification Commission who have to work out the details, especially in our family and inheritance law. We congratulate ourselves, however, that our family and inheritance laws have met with the general approval of our fair sex, and as you know, to please ladies is the hardest task in this world.

Early Legal History.

The Chairman asked the speaker if he would tell the gathering what Code was in existence before the revolution, and what steps were being taken to put the new Code into use; also whether it was now generally adopted in Chinese Courts.

In reply, Mr. Foo referred to the earlier codes in the Tang Dynasty, the Sung Dynasty and the Ching dynasty. At the end of the Ching Dynasty, he said, a criminal code was drafted by well-known Chinese lawyers such as the late Dr. Wu Ting-fang.

From 1904, the law which was applied in Chinese cases, was more or less that of the Sung code, being based upon the decisions of the Supreme Court at that time. Those decisions were given on Western law principles.

The speaker explained that the codification was not a new thing for China as the new Chinese legal knowledge was introduced from 1904. He stated that when the Commission started their work they had to refer a good deal to their Supreme Court decisions.

Speaking as to enforcement of the Code, he said that the Commission were aware of the responsibility when they were asked to draft it, as more than 40,000,000 Chinese would be studying it every day. Also, they knew that they had to make laws for the purpose of governing the everyday life of 400,000,000 people. In consequence, they had taken unusual pains over the work. As to the last two books, they would probably be in force by October 10, 1931.

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With this provision made by the authorities, the Hongkong Jockey Club or the Hongkong Automobile Association might show some enterprise by installing a telephone on the stand and at the Jockey Club for the use of members to summon their cars from the stand.

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Lawyers to Study Anew.

Answering a question with regard to the legal profession, the speaker explained that the members of the legal profession would have to study the new code as it would be applied in Chinese Courts. In other words they would have to study Chinese law anew. The profession would find certain executive laws, but the Government was thinking of reforming such things as the constitution of the Courts. No doubt certain reformation would have to be undertaken although no decision had yet been reached on the point.

In reply to a question as to whether the Code was based on any other Code, and if it would be enforced in all Courts throughout China or only in the organised Courts, the Hon. Mr. Foo said it would be applicable to all Courts of China. The code was more or less taken from the German and Japanese codes because China favoured the continental system. They had adopted the general German style but actually they differed in many respects because the German code left practically nothing to the discretion of the Judge.

Land System.

He continued that, in the third book, they had been unable to take anything from foreign codes because the land system in China was peculiar to China, and it would not have been safe to make fundamental changes. They had found that some old Chinese customs were much fairer and they had retained many such customs.

Dealing with a query as to whether the code provided for registration of births and deaths, the Hon. Mr. Foo said that registration was one of China's most difficult problems. It was, he said, almost impossible to set up a registration office in every district in China at the present time. It was the work of the administration and a special law had been drafted regarding the registration question.

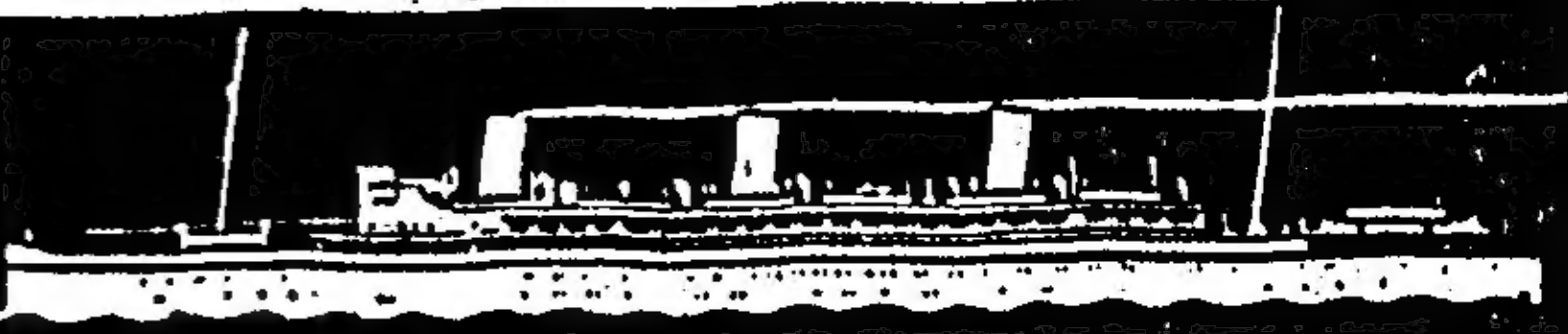
The thanks of Rotarians were expressed to the Hon. Mr. Foo by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, who said that the address had been most interesting and it was regrettable that the speaker had not had more time in which to go into the new code in more detail.

The Chairman announced that at the Club's next meeting on Tuesday, Dame Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rumford would be among the guests.

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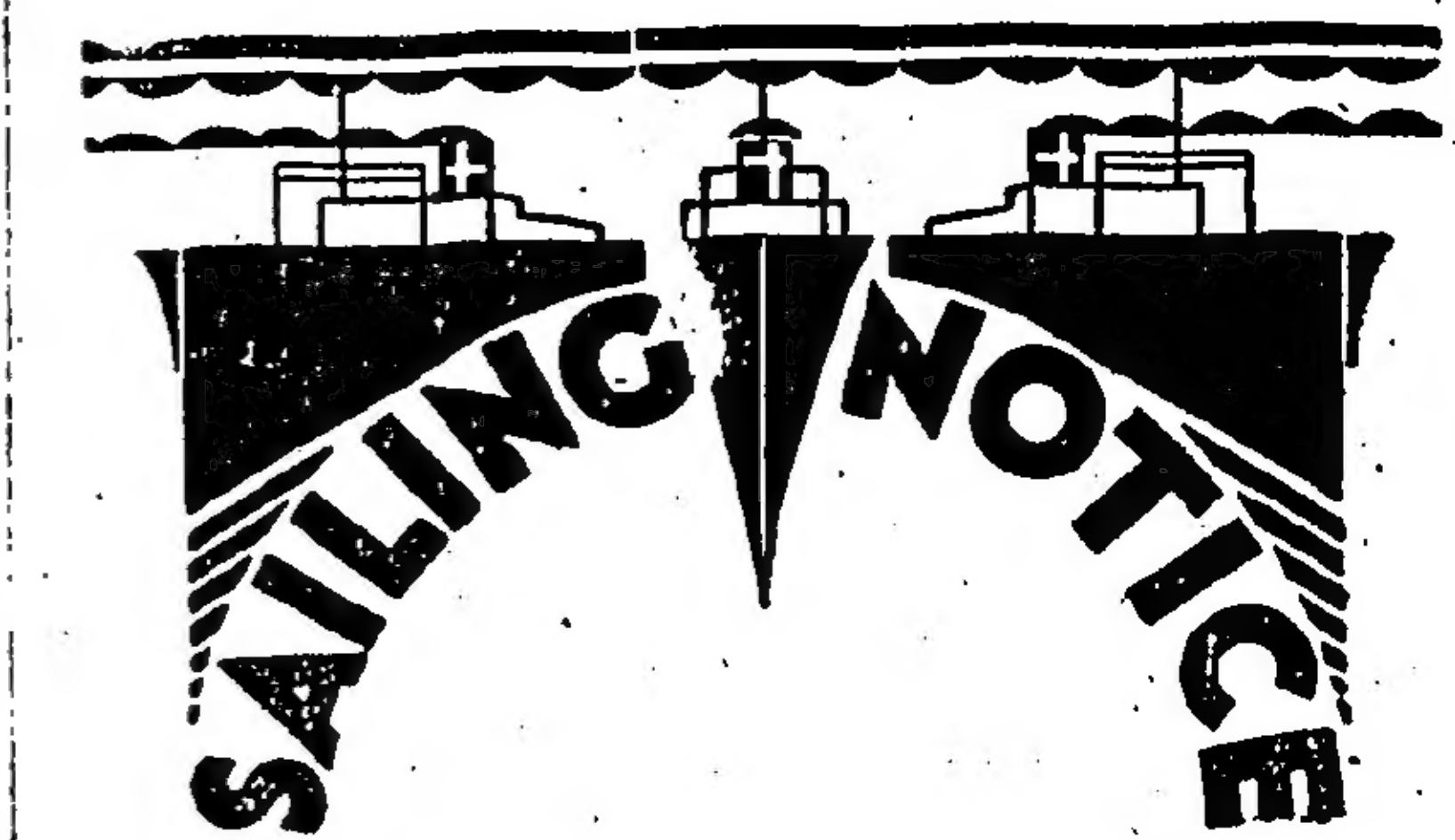
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The *Hochi*, after pointing out the difficulties, expresses the fear that America and Canada are really aiming to undermine Japan's economic influence in China.—*Reuter*.

ECHO OF THE WAR.

DEPORTATION OF ENEMY ALIENS FROM CHINA.

Washington, Jan. 13. An appropriation of \$240,000 for repayment to Britain and to Japan, the cost of the "proposed deportation of enemy aliens from China to Australia in wartime," is recommended in the Secretary of State's report, which Congress has forwarded to President Hoover.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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TWO MORE MOSQUITOES THAT CARRY FEVER.

Batavia, Jan. 13. Two of the principal insect carriers of the "five days fever," members of the Culicid (mosquito) group, have been identified by Doctor W. K. Mertens, of the Government Health Service.

One is *Stegomyia fasciata*, which has long been suspected as a fever carrier, and the other is *Aedes albopictus*.

Medical circles are rejoicing over the discovery in connexion with this fever, which is common in all Asiatic countries. Dr. Mertens' experiments involved volunteers allowing suspected mosquitoes to bite them.—*Reuter*.

(The "five days fever," also commonly termed "dengue," has for long been held to be mosquito-borne, and among the mosquitoes suspected were several species of *Culex*. The discovery now reported from Java has its value in the apparently definite allocation of the blame.)

recommended in the Secretary of State's report, which Congress has forwarded to President Hoover.—*Reuter's American Service*.

DUTIABLE TOBACCO.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH POSSESSION.

Kwan Chuen was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, with possession of 604 lbs. of dutiable tobacco at 138, Portland Street, on December 4, and also 8½ lbs. at 396, Shanghai Street.

Mr. J. M. Remedios appeared for the defence and tendered a plea of "not guilty."

Revenue Officer Grimmit, outlining the case, said that on December 4, Chief Preventive Officer Buller, R. O. Ward, and a number of Chinese Revenue Officers, went to 138, Portland Street. The premises were locked and the party gained entrance by breaking open the fastenings on the door. On entering they found twelve sacks containing 614 lbs. of tobacco. There was no sign of any furniture in the premises.

Mr. Buller sent for the landlord's agent, who informed him that two men had, about nine days previously, rented the ground floor, and that one of the men had actually paid the rent. Mr. Buller then proceeded to 396 Shanghai Street and, in the rear cubicle found the defendant. A search was made and 8½ lbs. of tobacco were found under the bed. The packets, fourteen in all, were similarly marked to the ones found in Portland Street. The defendant was taken to Portland Street, where the agent identified him as one of the men who had rented the premises.

Mr. Buller then gave his story of the find, which was similar to the outline, and further added that a restaurant bill bearing the name of Sai Yuk was found on the defendant.

In reply to Mr. Remedios, witness admitted that the defendant offered no resistance when arrested, and voluntarily went to Portland Street. Defendant also told him that duty had been paid on the 8½ lbs. of tobacco.

Wat Pak-yu, interpreter of the Imports and Exports Office, said that in his interpretation to Mr. Buller, the defendant had claimed the restaurant bill as his own. Defendant did not say that the tobacco was Sai Yuk's and not his own.

Mrs. Lim Li-fong, agent for the landlord of 138, Portland Street, said that the defendant and another man came and rented the premises. The defendant paid money in advance and the rent receipt was taken out in the name of Sai Yuk.

Under cross-examination, witness admitted that Sai Yuk may or may not have been defendant's name, but she was emphatic in that the defendant had paid the rent.

After Mr. Lim Li-fong, also joint agent of the premises, had corroborated the last witness, Mr. Butters adjourned further hearing until Monday.

BANK DIVIDEND.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK TO PAY £3 AND 11.

The Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation announce that, subject to audit, the dividend and bonus for the half year ending 31st December, 1930 will be: Dividend £3 per share. Bonus 11 per share. Add to Silver Reserve Fund \$500,000. Write off Bank Premises \$1,000,000. And carry forward to next year about \$3,420,000.

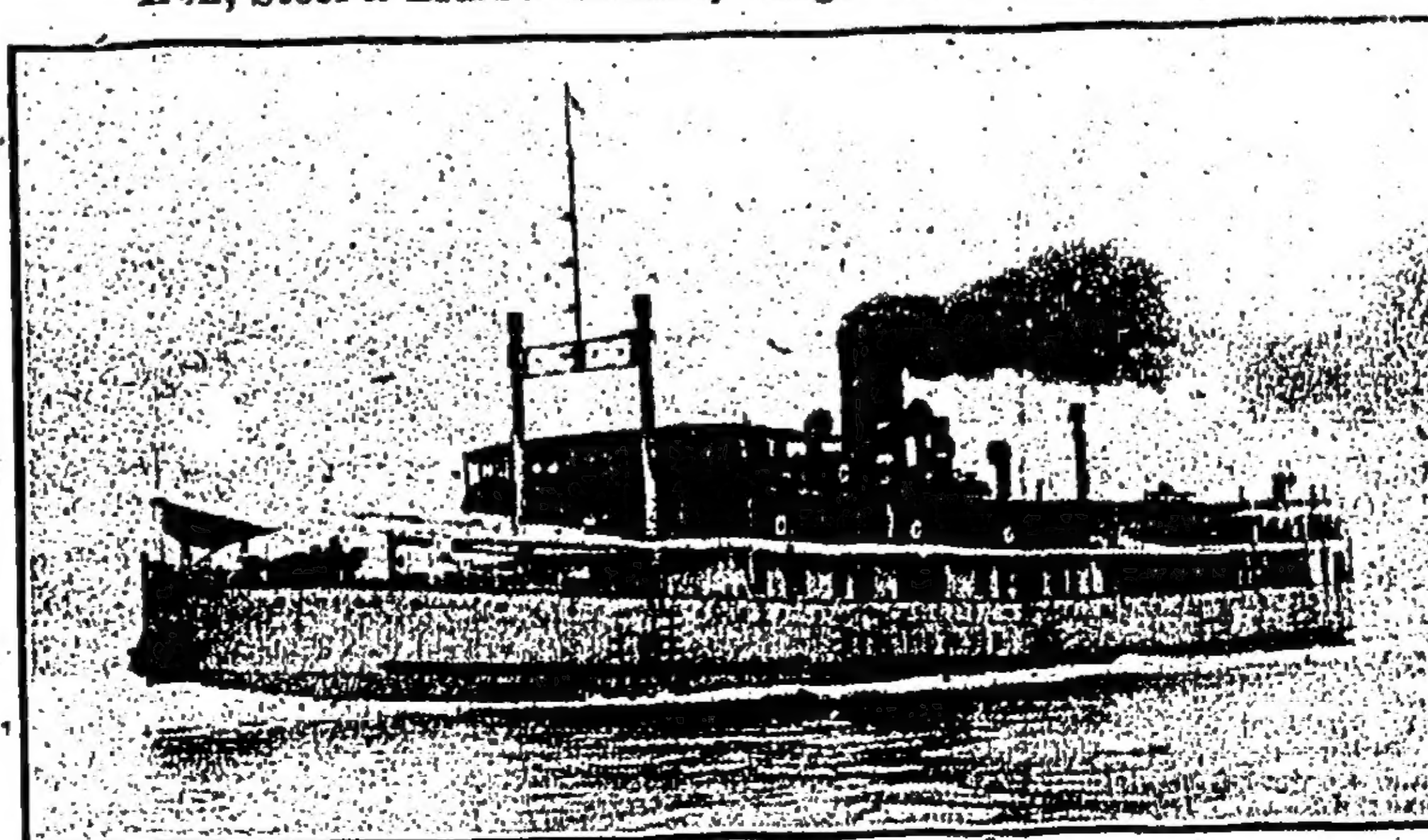
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VISIT OF THE WESTMINSTER GROUP.

Arrangements have been completed for the season of the Westminster Glee Singers to commence in the Theatre Royal on Monday night, Jan. 26th. The booking will be in the hands of Moutries and will open next Monday, Jan. 19th.

The Westminster Glee Singers are directed by that veteran showman, Mr. Edward Branscombe, who had remarkable success in Hongkong nearly twenty years ago with that famous organisation the Scarlet Troubadours, who must be well remembered by many still. Mr. Branscombe has devoted the intervening years to the world tours of the Westminster Glee Singers and is keenly looking forward to his return to Hongkong. On its present tour, the company left London nearly 3 years ago and has played through Canada, Alaska, U.S.A., Newfoundland, Honolulu, New Zealand and Australia. Last December was spent in Malaya and the company is at present at the Opera House, Manila, demonstrating to the Americans that there is another type of music than jazz, with melody, meaning and body, yet just as acceptable to the musically uneducated as to the musical critic. Mr. Branscombe is of the opinion that America is beginning to tire of the jazz craze. It is his object to bring back into the people's remembrance the great wealth of musical literature which Great Britain possesses.

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A MURDER SCENE.

SPECTATOR THOUGHT IT WAS HORSEPLAY.

Ng Kin, charged with the murder of Cheung Man, at the Fruit Market at Wing Lok Street, at which they were folk employed by different stalls, was yesterday again remanded by Mr. Williams, until to-morrow afternoon, when the question of his committal to the Criminal Sessions will be considered.

A folk employed by the Man Shing told the Court that the incident occurred at ten minutes to four on the morning of December 16. He saw a man approach another from behind and throw his arms around his body. Witness concluded that they were engaged in a bit of horseplay until he saw the second man release his hold and stagger back, pressing his hands to his breast and ejaculating that he had been wounded. This was followed by cries of "save life."

"I saw the accused go up to the deceased and endeavour to support him in a standing position. That failing, he called out to another man and also a policeman, who came up."

At the conclusion of the evidence of this witness, stated to be the last in the case, the hearing was adjourned.

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ANTI-"RED" WAR.

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Peking, Jan. 13. The vernacular newspapers state that the anti-Communist campaign in Kiangsi is not progressing favourably, and assert that the Eighteenth Division has joined the "Reds," while two other Divisions have been surrounded.

The Kiangsi chairman, Lu T'ing, is reported to have wired his resignation owing to his failure to suppress the Communists.

The papers further assert that the Central Government has decided to transfer the troops of the former Kuomintang leader Sun Liang-sing to Kiangsi to reinforce the Government forces.—*Reuter*.

Missionaries Arrive at Shanghai.

Shanghai, Jan. 13. After spending eighty days in the hands of "Reds" in Kiangsi, four Brothers of the Lazarist order and five Sisters of Charity have arrived here, led by Father Thierfry. Their number includes Brothers Capossi, Barbatto and Purino, and Sisters Larmichant, Merle, Rogonil, Ramon and Lepout.

All were taken captive at Kian on October 4 but escaped on December 24 from a hut near Tong-ko. They say the "Reds" are commanded by Peng To-hui and Chu Teh, and they served them as medical assistants at Tsingyuan-shan and were always well treated.

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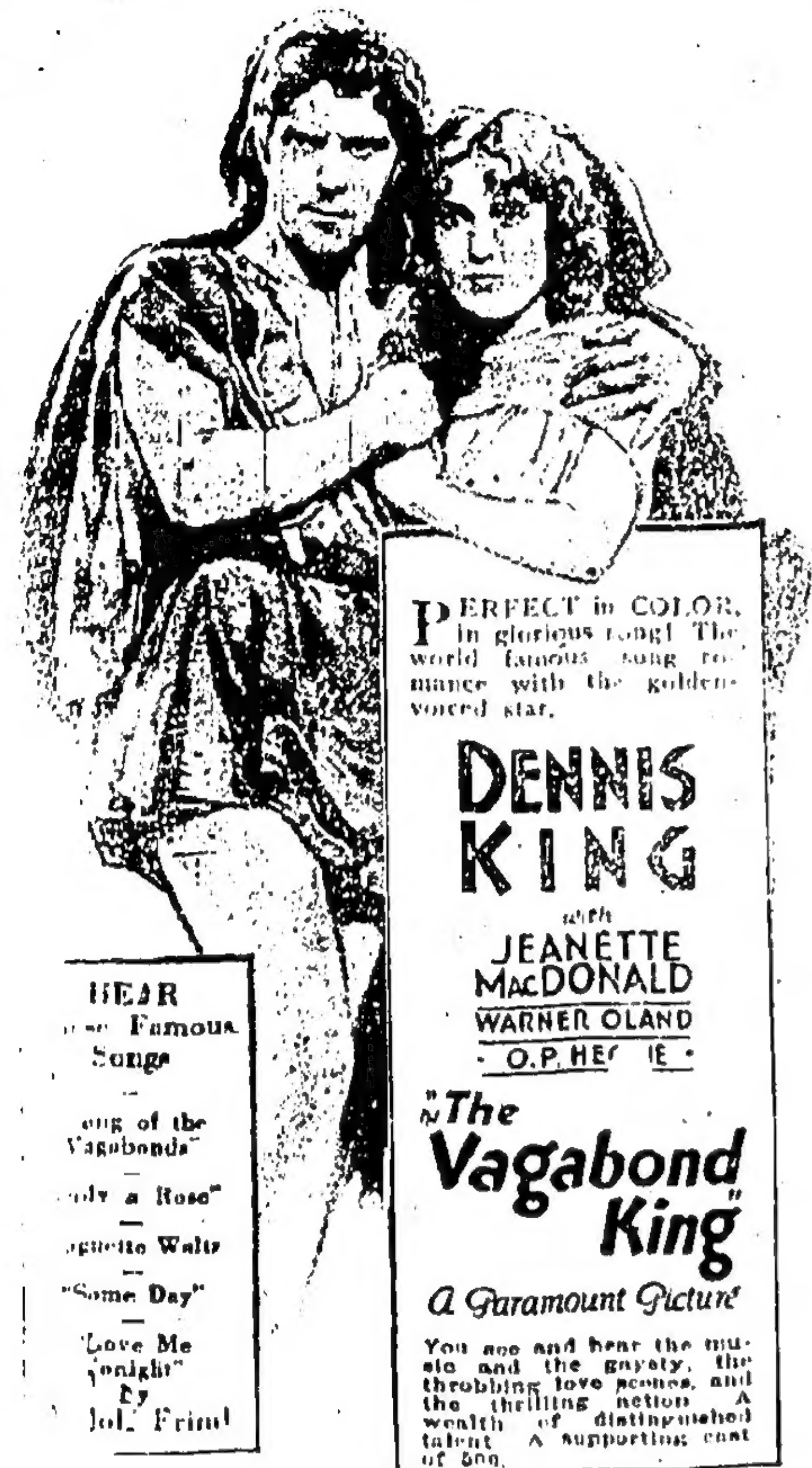
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CONVICTIONS QUASHED AFTER THREE MONTHS.

HIGH COURT APPEAL.

Bombay, Jan. 13. The High Court to-day quashed convictions on a hundred and twenty-eight persons, including Mr. K. F. Nariman, who were sentenced to imprisonment after the Congress Party and Allied Associations in Bombay had been "proclaimed." The Incorporated Law Society recently obtained a High Court Decision quashing the conviction of Mr. Nagin Das on the ground that an overt act of membership was not proved against him, or that he was aware of the "proclamation." The appeals were a sequel to incidents in Bombay in October last when a spectacular attempt was made by the Congress to set up "a parallel system of government." Immediately, a Gazette Extraordinary was issued declaring the thirty-eight Congress and allied organizations in the city to be unlawful associations.

Raids were carried out at many places, and over 120 arrests were made, most of the accused being sentenced to three and four months' rigorous imprisonment. Mr. Nagin Das was described as the President of the Bombay "War Council" and Mr. K. F. Nariman was the President of the Bombay League Youth, *Reuter*.

SOUTHPORT JUMP IN LEAGUE TABLE.

AN EASY VICTORY OVER HALIFAX TOWN.

London, Jan. 13. At Southport to-day, in a Northern Section match Southport defeated Halifax by five goals to two. The game was postponed from Saturday owing to Southport's Cup engagement. *Reuter*.

The amended table follows:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Lincoln	23	16	3	1	54	25	35
Chesterfield	25	15	5	0	50	33	35
Tranmere	24	15	3	6	71	59	33
Stockport	24	15	3	6	53	33	33
Southport	24	13	3	8	57	39	29
Wigan	24	14	1	2	48	38	29
Hull	23	11	6	6	54	33	28
Wrexham	23	12	4	7	54	39	28
Carlisle	23	12	3	8	51	38	27
Gateshead	22	8	7	7	33	35	23
Rotherham	24	8	6	10	55	55	22
Rochdale	24	9	3	12	43	60	21
Abercrombie	26	9	3	14	50	71	21
Hartlepool	23	9	2	12	48	44	20
Doncaster	23	6	7	10	37	34	19
Darlington	24	8	3	13	41	38	19
York	23	8	2	13	41	38	18
Barrow	24	7	4	13	36	59	18
New Brighton	25	7	4	14	26	51	18
Halifax	23	6	5	12	29	55	17
Crews	22	8	6	14	36	56	16
Nelson	21	3	5	16	26	58	11

COSTLY WELCOME TO NEW YEAR.

MANY FINED FOR FIRING CRACKERS.

Consequent upon the receipt of special instructions to prosecute anyone firing crackers without permits during the New Year festivities, the police brought a large number of summonses against offenders before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning. Among the batch of people summoned was Mr. M. R. V. Ribeiro, of 33, Lee Yuen Street, who was accused of having fired crackers fifteen minutes after midnight on New Year's Eve. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Similar fines were imposed on a number of Chinese for not having obtained permits before firing crackers on New Year's Eve. Sub-inspector J. McLellan, officer in charge of the Wanchai Police Station, from which a large number of the summonses were brought, informed his Worship that special instructions had been received from superior officers that all persons firing crackers without permits had to be summoned.

ALLEGED DEAL IN MORPHINE.

INDIAN MONEY-LENDER CHARGED TO-DAY.

Khem Singh, described as an Indian money-lender of No. 3, Parkes Street, was produced by Detective Sergeant Fitches before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on a charge of having offered or pretended to deal in morphine without a license from the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, between January 8th and 13th. Defendant pleaded not guilty. Sergeant Fitches asked for a week's remand and said he had instructions to oppose bail. Mr. Butters granted the application for a week's remand but fixed bail in a sum of \$10,000.

PRESENTATION TO DAME CROWDY.

TEN YEARS AT THE LEAGUE SECRETARIAT.

DRUG QUOTA SCHEME.

Geneva, Jan. 13. A pleasing ceremony marked the opening of the proceedings of the Advisory Opium Committee of the League of Nations to-day, when a presentation was made to Dame Rachel Crowdy, who is leaving the Secretariat after ten years of work as Chief of the Social Questions and Opium Traffic Section.

Dame Crowdy was Principal Commandant of the V. A. D.'s in France from 1914 to 1919, when she was honoured with the D.B.E. prior to entering the League Secretariat.

The Opium Committee spent the day discussing the crucial Article Eight of the Draft Convention, dealing with the allocation of quotas to countries manufacturing morphine and cocaine.

Baron Sato, the Japanese principal delegate, proposed a readjustment of the proposed quota for a country manufacturing only a portion of its own needs, and also that a manufacturing country might export drugs within the limits of its quota for domestic consumption or re-export. Sir Malcolm Delevingne, the British delegate, who is chiefly responsible for the drafting of the proposed convention, assured Baron Sato that the rights of such countries were clearly safeguarded.

Baron Sato thereupon withdrew the proposed amendments. *Reuter*.

LOCAL RAIDS ON COMMUNISTS.

MANY SUSPECTS ARRESTED BY POLICE.

ANOTHER CLEAN-UP.

The Criminal Investigation Department was extremely busy during yesterday and to-day when it carried out a series of raids, seized a large quantity of undesirable literature, and arrested many Communist suspects.

"It was one of those periodical clean-ups," stated a police official, when questioned regarding the nature of the operations. He revealed that the police authorities had been giving the closest attentions to the Communist problem, and keeping themselves informed of the movements of agitation.

As soon as the necessary data had been collected, and a sufficient number of prisoners assured, a warrant on extensive operation, on the testimony given, then a day would be set aside, so to speak, for a concerted campaign into which all the available personnel of the Department were recruited. Raids were carried out in different districts on the maintained last night, these being followed by other operations in Hongkong this morning.

Between four and six o'clock this morning eight further raids were carried out. These proved generally successful, and many suspects, it is stated, were taken into custody.

FRANCE AND CHINA.

RENDITION OF SHANGHAI COURT LIKELY.

Nanking, Jan. 13. It is reported that the French Government has agreed in principle on the rendition of the Mixed Court in the French Concession, Shanghai, and the Chinese Foreign Ministry is requesting that delegates be appointed to open negotiations. *Reuter*.

CHINESE CABLE AGREEMENT.

FULL TEXT OF OFFICIAL VERSION.

CONTROL BY MINISTRY.

Nanking, Jan. 10. The Central Daily News published this morning the official version of the Agreement recently concluded between the Chinese Telegraph Administration and the foreign cable companies.

The seven Articles of the Agreement are as follows:

Art. 1. The cable landing certificate shall be issued in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Ministry of Communications. This certificate shall be good for a period of 14 years.

Art. 2. The receipt and despatch of cable messages shall be under the care of representatives of the Ministry of Communications.

Art. 3. All land cables leased to the foreign cable companies at Shanghai are to commence with the central cable station designated by the Ministry of Communications.

Art. 4. For cable messages between Shanghai and America the Chinese Telegraph Administration is to receive 45 centimes a word and 75 centimes a word for messages to the interior of China.

For messages between Shanghai and Europe the Chinese Telegraph Administration is to receive 35 centimes a word and 60 centimes a word for messages to the interior of China. For messages between Shanghai and Japan or the Straits Settlements the Chinese Telegraph Administration is to receive 20 centimes a word and 25 centimes a word for messages to the interior of China.

Art. 5. The branches of the foreign cable companies in China shall put up sign boards of the Chinese Telegraph Office.

Art. 6. All telegram forms and stationery shall be the same as that used in the Chinese telegraph offices.

Art. 7. Uniforms worn by the messenger boys shall be furnished by the Chinese Telegraph Administration.

MR. H. A. JONES DIES AT HOME.

SECRETARY OF MOUTRIE AND COMPANY.

Many residents of the Colony will learn with deep regret of the death, which occurred in England on December 27th, of Mr. Harold A. Jones, Secretary of Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co., and for many years manager of the firm's branch in Hongkong.

The late Mr. Jones was home on leave at the time of his death. During his holiday, he had been in indifferent health and was for a time a patient of one of the London hospitals, suffering from a heart attack. Later, he was admitted to a hospital in Birmingham, where he passed away.

For over twenty years the late Mr. Jones had been with Messrs. Moutrie and Company, serving them in Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai. Latterly, he had been Secretary of the Company, at the head office in Shanghai, to which position he was appointed on leaving Hongkong, where he was succeeded in the Management by Mr. A. E. Silkatone, who at present holds that post.

During his residence in the Colony, Mr. Jones made many friends, being of a genial and likeable disposition. He was a keen musician, whilst his wife, who before her marriage was a professional singer, was often in great demand locally on the concert platform. Mrs. Jones, and the only child, a son, are at present in Australia, and the utmost sympathy will be felt for them in their bereavement.

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